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ORDAN ARMY CHIEF TO WASHINGTON

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Jordan's Chief of Staff, Gen. Zaid Shaker, yesterday left Amman the head of a military delega- for Washington, where King Hussein has been conducting talks at obtaining more U.S. arms.

n-Shaker's departure followed port from Washington that Hussein has submitted a plan he U.S. for disengagement of ns with Israel.

is not known if Ben-Shaker's en departure is connected with report. Ben-Shaker is known to behind Jordan's request for in- ed American military aid in bid to make the Jordanian Ar- into a heavily mechanized a.

ws agencies reported that Hussein yesterday took his shopping list to Defence Sec- ry James Shlesinger as he con- d his talks with U.S. Govern- t officials.

is believed to be seeking an nsion of the current three-year m. U.S. arms agreement with n, which expires on June 30. here was no announcement on kind of arms Hussein wants press reports have said he s to get planes and tanks as as other arms.

THREE HURT BY SYRIAN GUNS

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Syrian artillery bombarded Israeli positions stationed along the Golan Heights for the third day running yesterday, as hostilities in the area entered their second week. Three Israeli soldiers, stationed in the Mazrat Beit Jann region, were injured — the first casualties in the area since February 15, when an Israeli soldier was killed.

Yesterday's incidents started at 10 a.m. with a simultaneous bombardment of four Israeli positions in the northern sector of the bulge taken in the October war. Positions at Mazrat Beit Jann, Halas, Harpe and Tel Shams came under an intensive 90-minute barrage, which tapered off only after Israeli long-range cannon were called into action *to silence Syrian batteries.*

The area remained quiet until around 4 p.m. when a three-hour artillery clash developed between Israeli and Syrian batteries in the northern and central sectors of the bulge.

As opposed to incidents on Tuesday and Wednesday, when Israeli *forces deliberately ingored the bombardments*, yesterday's reaction was relatively heavy, and fire was directed against Syrian batteries for most of the afternoon. Spotters in the area — some 40 kms. from Damascus — along the central front reported smoke and flames from a Syrian position fairly deep inside Syria.

With artillery duels along the northern front entering their second week — following a week of tension in the area in the wake of reports that the Syrians were planning a major offensive against Israeli positions — observers here are convinced that Syria has decided to embark on a limited war of attrition with three aims in mind:

- To create an atmosphere of urgency prior to the prospective disengagement talks due to open in Washington in the near future;
- Hasten further Soviet arms shipments to the area;
- Pressure the Americans into *forcing Israel to make quick concessions* lest the overall situation degenerated and jeopardize American peace initiatives in the region.

There is also speculation that the latest bout of cannon fire, after three weeks of total quiet along the front, was coordinated with the Russians during Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko's visit to Damascus earlier this month — possibly in a last-ditch attempt to neutralize growing American influence in the Middle East and in *the hope that the disengagement* talks will be moved to Geneva, as desired by the Russians.

These observations are based on a similar pattern along Israel's southern front earlier this year, where the disengagement talks with Egypt were preceded by a heavy bout of artillery clashes in late December and early January.

Mrs. Meir conferring with Austrian Chancellor Kreisky in Jerusalem

Palestine issue tops Kreisky-Meir talks

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and his fact-finding mission of leading Socialists from eight countries spent over three hours yesterday discussing with Mrs. Meir and her ministers the Palestinian problem and other aspects of the Middle East conflict. Sources on both sides said the atmosphere at the discussion had been extremely friendly. It seemed that both Mrs. Meir and Mr. Kreisky made a determined effort to put aside the memories of their less pleasant meeting last autumn (over the closure of Schoenau) and at the subsequent international Socialist meeting in London. The Palestinian problem took up over one hour of the session, with Mr. Kreisky raising the possibility that a Palestinian independent state *might be formed in the context of* a peace settlement — and hearing at length from Mrs. Meir on her objections to this idea.

The mission had apparently heard persuasive arguments from Egypt's President Sadat in favour of an independent Palestine. The Egyptian President is said to believe that Israel's agreement in principle to the idea would go far to abating the bitterness of the Israel-Arab conflict.

Mrs. Meir explained that a Palestinian state between Israel and Jordan would in fact be an "anti-State" with hostility to Israel as its main purpose.

Mr. Kreisky reported in detail on the mission's talks with Sadat and with Syrian President Hafez Assad. He stressed his impression that Egypt was intent on refurbishing its economy and moving away from the state of constant war. Mrs. Meir, too, spoke of the encouraging signs that Israel has observed in Egypt *since the disengagement* agreement.

The mission members did not hide in their conversations with their Israeli hosts the sense of disappointment and even shock they had ex- Kreisky himself, who had told newsmen on arrival here that while Egypt seemed set on peace Syria seemed on the verge of war, other mission members also spoke of their impression of a still warlike and hostile Syria.

This impression was apparently formed both by their meeting with President Assad and in talks with other officials in Damascus. The atmosphere of the country as a whole was that of a country still bent on war, mission members felt.

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Chancellor to come again

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. Kreisky announced last night that at the first opportunity he would come here again, in his capacity as chancellor of Austria. Replying to Premier Golda Meir's speech to the visiting Socialist delegation whom she entertained at a small dinner at the King David Hotel, Mr. Kreisky expressed his satisfaction that, despite the hesitation and doubts expressed at the *outset of their mission, Israel now* recognized the possible contribution they might make to solving the Middle East problem. He noted that they had established warm contacts in Egypt.

On a personal note, he recalled that during the Schoneau crisis he had told his Cabinet that the day would come when it would be recognized that Austria had never withdrawn from its obligation to assist in the free passage of refugees. He added that the steps that he was contemplating taking in the future, as well, would be motivated by the intention to see that no re- [illegible] Mrs. Meir had said that one didn't know if the Socialist mission could accomplish the aim all Israelis wanted, achieving peace, but "you can help." She said that the most encouraging message they had brought from Egypt was that the Egyptians say they need peace and that they now compare the expenditure of "how much it costs to kill an Israeli with how much it costs to bring up an Egyptian baby. When they make this comparison, there is hope," she declared.

Kissinger to see Eban today

'Oil issue won't affect moves for ME peace'

By IRA SILVERMAN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Conditions that might be attached to the expected lifting of the Arab oil embargo will not affect the timing of American initiatives to reach an Arab-Israeli settlement, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger stated yesterday. Kissinger meets with Foreign Minister Abba Eban today to pin down plans for the next phase of the American initiative, the indirect talks in Washington on disengagement between Israel and Syria.

The Secretary told newsmen that he has received no official confirmation that the Arab oil embargo would be lifted, as Arab oil ministers meeting in Tripoli on Wednesday reportedly decided. But several Administration sources have expressed confidence that such an announcement will be made soon — an optimism that has led to banner headlines in daily newspapers here predicting an end to petrol shortages.

In response to a question about one report from Tripoli — that the embargo would be halted only on a trial basis to give the U.S. a period of time to obtain a settlement agreeable to the Arabs — Kissinger replied: "We have to move at the pace that we find suitable for a settlement." He added that the timing "cannot be affected" by such conditioning of the embargo.

SURPRISE BRIEFING

The Secretary made his surprise appearance at a State Department news briefing in order to apologize *for misunderstandings emanating* from comments he made on Monday to a group of Congressmen's wives. Reports of those statements, in which Kissinger questioned the legitimacy of European governments, had proved embarrassing to the Administration and previous attempts at clarification were apparently insufficient to remove the problem.

Kissinger was scheduled to attend a dinner reception last night for Mr. Eban at the residence of Ambassador Simcha Dinitz. The dinner, which was to be attended by several Senators, Congressmen, journalists and their wives, would not provide a setting conducive to even preliminary talks on the main issue at hand, Israeli-Syrian disengagement.

But that will be the major item on the agenda of the meeting between Kissinger and Eban set for lunch today. The two officials will attempt to lay the groundwork for the indirect Washington talks, expected to begin later this month. The level and the exact timing of those talks have not yet been set, but Defence Minister Moshe Dayan could begin the talks here next week.

NO NEW PLANS

Eban is not expected to deliver any new Israeli proposal on the substance of disengagement arrangements. He and Kissinger will, however, discuss current stumbling blocks and ways to circumvent them. *They will also view one uncertain element affecting the talks:* the attitude of the Soviet Union.

Kissinger will be meeting in Moscow with the Soviet leadership for three or four days starting March 24, and will then have an opportun- *ity to coordinate with the Russians* about his efforts toward disengagement. The Secretary had earlier planned to leave for Moscow this weekend, but postponed his trip for a week in order to complete plans for the Golan disengagement talks and meet with an Israeli delegation if one is sent.

It has been reported that Eban will also extend, through Kissinger, a formal invitation to President Nixon to visit Israel this spring. The President has been considering a trip to Middle East capitals in May, but informed sources here say that no decision or announcement about his trip plans will be made at least until after the lifting of the Arab oil embargo.

OIL AND THE U.S.

No announcement but ban to be lifted

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

A majority within the 10-nation Arab oil group have decided to lift the embargo against the U.S. al- [illegible] of strong opposition by Syria and Libya.

The Arab oil ministers conference in Tripoli on Wednesday night dis- *persed following the first session* without making a statement on the controversial issue. A terse communique said that the ministers would meet again on Sunday in Vienna where they are expected to announce the lifting of the oil ban against the U.S. for a limited period.

Meanwhile, the official Libyan news agency yesterday said that Algeria had proposed suspending the ban for two months, and it noted that Syria was opposed to any form of easing the embargo. Both the Libyan agency and Tripoli state radio reported that Syria regarded ending the embargo as "treason."

This was the first official account of what went on in the Tripoli conference which was summoned at Egypt's request to lift the embargo as a token of appreciation for what Cairo describes as the change in Washington's Middle East policy and the U.S. assistance in achieving a military disengagement between Egypt and Israel.

[illegible] the Egyptian call, stressing that the [illegible] embargo should be maintained pending substantial progress towards a *Middle East settlement*, in which Syria wants its own military *disengagement with Israel* to be a first phase.

Oil ministers in the meantime held further consultations with their governments in an evident attempt to avert a rupture in the united stand which the Arabs had claimed on the outbreak of the October war.

The situation at the moment places Egypt in direct conflict with Syria and Libya, both of which are linked with Cairo in a loose tripartite federation. Libya might once again end in isolation should *the Arabs decide to go ahead* with their decision to lift the oil embargo against the U.S., in the expectation that Washington would step up its efforts for a disengagement between Syria and Israel thus paving the way for the second phase of the Geneva *Middle East* talks.

SAPIR PRESENTS BUDGET, URGES BELT-TIGHTENING

By DAVID KRIVINE, Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

A Budget of IL35,350m. for the fiscal year starting on April 1 s tabled in the Knesset yesterday by Finance Minister Pinhas pir. It represents an increase of three-quarters over the estimates ginally voted for the current year (before war broke out), and is far short (at current prices) of double the expenditure made 1972.

Also presented was an interim budget of IL8.8b., or a quarter of total requisition — to keep the economy going until the Knesset es the Budget proper into law.

Mr. Sapir said that Israelis would e to lower their standard of liv- — though not drastically — for the to meet the economic chal- es resulting from the October r, but he did not foresee an eco- ic recession.

ncome taxes will be slightly ed but Mr. Sapir pointed to the lihood of introducing an Added e Tax — which is already ope- ing in Europe.

The allocations divide in two rts; an Ordinary Budget of 7,630m., which includes as the gest single item IL14,500m. for lente; and a Development Budget IL3,720m. The Ordinary Budget nprises IL2,783m. for payment of erest, and the Development Bud- t IL3,129m. for the retirement of incipal, making a total provision debt service of IL5,912m. (This ceeds the entire budgetary alloca- n for running the country's social rvices.)

On the revenue side IL20,400m. mes from tax and compulsory ns. The rest is mainly borrowed oney—IL5,400m. of internal loans, d IL6,888m. of loans and grants om overseas.

Biggest single item in the Deve- ment Budget is housing, which takes IL1,800m. (as against IL1,100m. in the current year). The allocation for subsidies, which rose from IL490m. in 1972 to IL1,100m. in 1973, is down to IL825m. On the other hand tax refunds to assist exports are augmented from IL1,150m in 1973/74 to IL1,500m.

Presented to the Knesset with these documents was a slimmer booklet on the National Budget for the calendar year 1974, prepared jointly by the Economic Adviser's Department in the Treasury and the Bank of Israel's Research Department.

This volume predicts the performance of the whole economy during the 12 months ending in December. Output will rise by seven per cent, private consumption per capita will not increase at all, and the trade gap will reach an intimidating $3,300m., the figures say.

Mr. Sapir said that Israel is facing four problems, of which the war is only one.

The other three problems, he said, are the oil crisis, the soaring increase in primary-product prices all over the world, and the erratic fluctuation of exchange-rates abroad.

Before the October war broke out, higher import costs, together with increased incomes and bigger *spending inside* the country, had pushed up prices by 16 per cent in the nine months January to September. The trade deficit widened to an annual figure of $1,500m.

The war aggravated this situation. Expenditure on weapon imports (including materials for the local arms industry) rose from a *planned $700m. in 1973 to $2,000m.*, and we shall be spending another $1,600 this year. Together that adds up to more than the $2,200m. of aid allocated by the American Government. Local-currency expenditure on defence will be IL8.25b. in 1974, or double the pre-war figure.

The war reduced production by IL1,200m., investment by IL1,900m., exports by [illegible] that was costing $1.30 a barrel in 1971 is now priced at up to $20. Israel's basic foods imports will cost $100m. more this year than last. During the two years 1973 and 1974 import prices will have soared by 50 per cent, Mr. Sapir said.

In the face of these conditions there must be some decline —

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Treasury sec'y Shultz to quit

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Secretary of the Treasury George Shultz is resigning in May after more than five years' service in President Nixon's Cabinet, the White House announced yesterday.

There has been speculation that energy chief William Simon or *Chase Manhattan Bank President* David Rockefeller might be appointed to the Treasury post.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The Portuguese Government last night dismissed controversial deputy Chief of Staff General Antonio de Spinola and his superior, General Francisco da Costa Gomes. The two — centre of a bitter wrangle over Portuguese policy in its troubled African territories — would retain their rank.

Six held at Beirut airport in bid to place arms on jet

BEIRUT (AP). — Security police arrested six Arabs for a hijack attempt last night after one of them *tried to smuggle arms and explosives* aboard a Dutch KLM Boeing jumbo jet at Beirut airport.

Airport sources said the first man arrested was a Lebanese catering employee of KLM, who was caught hiding pistols and grenades in one of the food *boxes being taken out to* the plane.

He identified his five accomplices, all first class passengers who booked on the flight without hand baggage and were waiting to board the *plane in the airport* departure lounge.

The sources said the five men carried Jordanian and Bahraini passports.

'Jews, Moslems killed 4 Syrian Jewish girls'

DAMASCUS (UPI). — Security authorities have smashed a four-man ring, including two Syrian Jews and two Moslems that committed a series of murder, robbery and smuggling crimes including the *murder of four Syrian Jewish girls*, Interior Minister Ali Zaza said.

The four will be tried by the Supreme State Security Court to "receive their just punishment for the horrible crimes they committed." Zaza said over Damascus Radio last night. *(Protest — page 2)*

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A new fares schedule will come into effect on Israel Railways on

Saturday, March 16, 1974.

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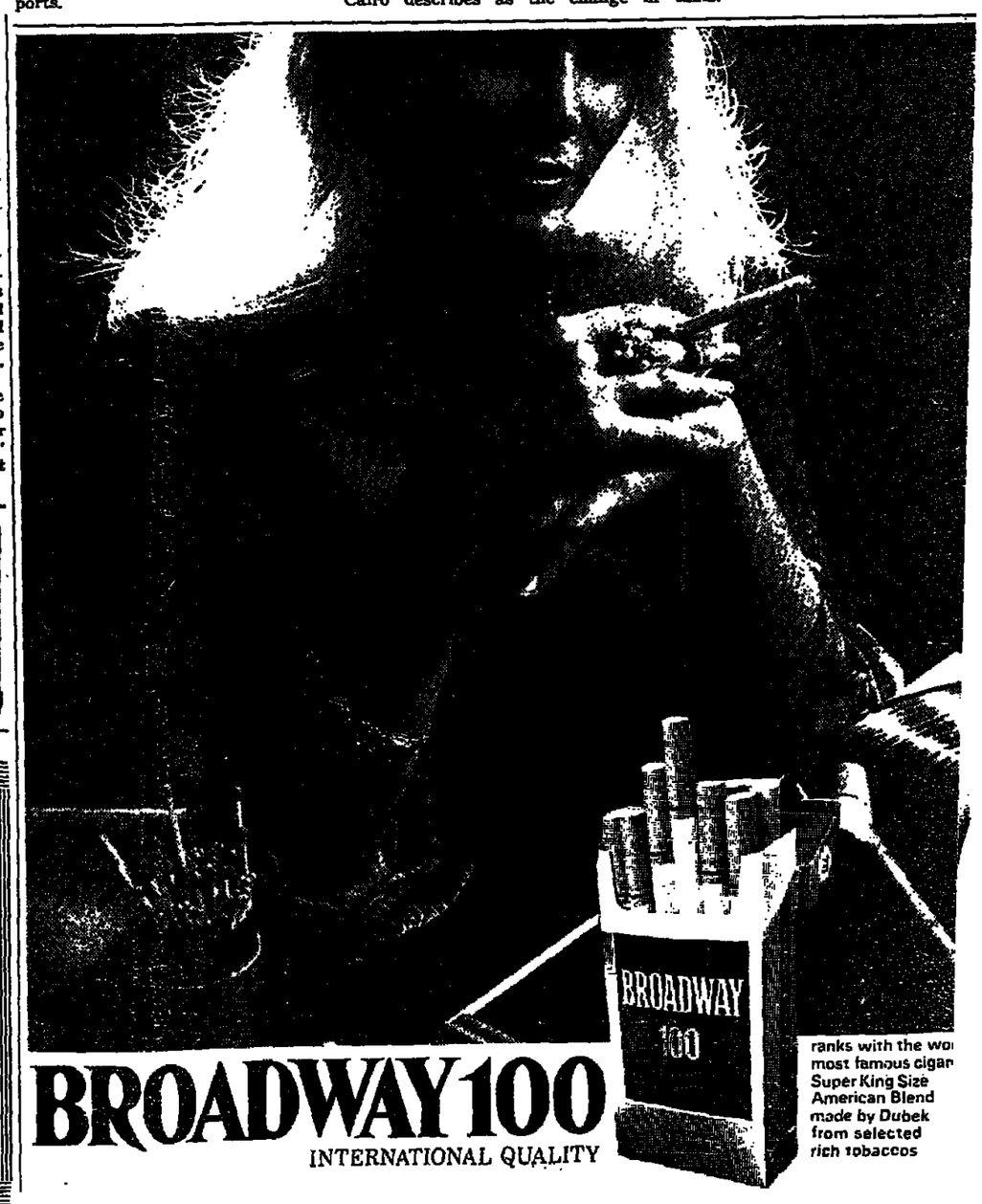

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Hazy and warm with variable amounts of high clouds. Possibility of local rain and probability of showers in the South.
Outlook for Saturday: Probable drop in temperature.
Weather synopsis: Warm low moving from Egypt to our region and causing above normal temperatures.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	28	15—23	15—05
Golan	70	10—18	10—18
Nahariya	48	15—26	17—26
Safed	67	14—18	14—18
Haifa Port	56	20—25	20—25
Tiberias	53	17—26	17—26
Nazareth	61	16—31	16—22
Afula	62	14—24	15—24
Shomron	45	16—24	15—24
Tel Aviv	55	19—27	18—27
B-G Airport	63	17—28	17—28
Jericho	65	16—30	16—30
Gaza	47	18—27	18—27
Beersheba	37	18—28	17—28
Eilat	33	21—30	21—30
Tiran Straits	40	21—30	20—30

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir on Wednesday received a delegation of members of the Bronfman family of Canada and the U.S., who are visiting the country for the dedication of a Youth Aliya care centre at Moshav Nahalim in memory of Sophie and Abraham Bronfman.

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Justice Minister Haim Zadok called yesterday on Supreme Court President Shimon Agranat, Permanent Deputy President Yoel Sussman and the other justices of the Supreme Court.

The Oneg Shabbat Forum at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem tonight will be at 8.30. Rabbi Israel Friedman and Zev Dover of the Foreign Ministry will speak. Cantor Arye Goldberg will conduct the community singing.

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Tomorrow there will be a Melaveh Malka programme at Hechal Shlomo at 8 p.m. Cantor Yehuda Lendner and David Ben-Dor of the Foreign Ministry will participate. A film on life in Israel will be shown. The public is invited.

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Ariel Amiad, general manager of the Israel Electric Corporation, will speak on "Long-term Planning for the I.E.C.," at the Haifa Engineers' Forum, at 1 p.m. today.

ARRIVALS

Theodor Meron, Ambassador to Canada, on a private visit (by El Al).
Professor J.I.G. Cadogan, organic chemist, of Edinburgh University, for six weeks as visiting professor at the Technion.
Abraham Feinberg, chairman of the Weizmann Institute's Board of Governors, Derrick Kleeman, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Weizmann Institute Foundation in Great Britain, and Ayala Zacks of the Canadian Society of the Weizmann Institute, for a meeting of the Institute's Executive Council.
Ezra Z. Shapiro, Keren Hayesod world chairman, from Sweden, Norway

DEPARTURES

Otto Kersten, secretary of the World Federation of Free Trade Unions, after a visit to Israel to attend the Histadrut convention (by Cyprus Airways).
A. W. Nielsen, chairman of the board of directors of Tuborg-Carlsberg United Breweries, Copenhagen; B. Breyen and M.C. Hespbeck, the firm's managing director and general manager, for Copenhagen.
Michael Robinson, managing director of the Robinson Bank, Basel, Baron Alexis Goldsmidth-Rothschild and Mr. George Dyer, directors of the bank, for Geneva.
Moshe Kashti, Zim director general, for Europe (by El Al).

JOHN G. DIEFENBAKER, former Prime Minister of Canada, is to be the guest of honour on a special visit to Israel next month, organized by the Jewish National Fund. A group of JNF leaders from Toronto will accompany Mr. Diefenbaker.

The French delegate in the Socialist International fact-finding mission, Robert Pouillion, kisses Prime Minister Meir during a visit to her office. (Rahamim Israeli)

Kreisky in verbal duel with Knesset Speaker

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky fended off criticism by Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu of the nine Common Market countries' pro-Arab statement last autumn by urging Israel to "face facts."

When he toured the Knesset and called on the Speaker before being hosted to a lunch in the House, Chancellor Kreisky said he wanted to explain the background to the statement, without defending it, by stressing Europe's dependence on Middle East oil.

Kreisky said that never before had Europe's industrial states been in a position where their entire activity was threatened. Their own workers faced possible unemployment. Millions of their migrant workers faced being sent home, Italians, Yugoslavs and more.

"Not since 1945 had a crisis of such proportions faced prosperous free Europe," Kreisky told the Speaker at an informal discussion. "Had the oil embargo been enforced, nobody could have predicted the consequences for peace and democracy."

Kreisky went on: "We in Europe were in a critical situation. We had to do something. Perhaps we might not have expressed ourselves in the right way in our statement. But there was a certain nervousness, and crisis mood. It's better for me to be frank and tell you the facts."

Turning to the Middle East, and commenting on the Socialist International's talks in Arab capitals, Kreisky said:

"There is a certain evolution in Egypt. We cannot say how serious it is, and whether it constitutes a basis for further negotiations and agreement. We are not going to convince you to make peace with Sadat or to mediate. But we got a certain impression in Cairo. We do not know whether Egypt's conditions are acceptable to Israel and it seems that difficult for you to accept."

Speaker Yeshayahu, who got the informal talk down to brass tacks after the toasts were drunk with his query about the Nine's statement, got in the last word.

He said: "Without going into any of the political or moral implications of the Nine's statement, Israel will have to be on the other side of the fence if Europe's energy situation requires it to pay the price in terms of its basic security.

"Israel is disillusioned with Europe," Yeshayahu said, "and is it not yet sure whether it can trust Sadat because of the gap between Arab words and Arab deeds."

After their meeting with the Knesset Speaker, the mission were entertained to a "working luncheon" at the Knesset by Mr. Avraham Kidron, the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, and several of his senior officials.

This session lasted over two-and-a-half hours, with the Foreign Ministry experts briefing the mission and answering their questions.

The officials spoke of Israel's affinity to Europe on many levels. They briefed the mission on the ongoing negotiations between Israel and the EEC for a new tariff agreement under the EEC's proposed Middle East "global framework."

The Ministry's Middle East experts stressed the seven years of human contacts between Jew and Arab on the West Bank and Israel's hopes that these would presage political contacts and dialogue with the Arab states.

During his visit to Yad Vashem yesterday, to which he and his party came direct from their luncheon at the Knesset, Dr. Kreisky was visibly moved when he found the name of an uncle murdered by the Nazis.

He made the discovery after asking to see the "Hall of Names," where are kept the names of 2.5m murdered Jews of whom nothing else remains. On seeing the name — that of his uncle Ludwig Kreisky, a teacher in Czechoslovakia until the Nazis seized him — the Austrian Chancellor murmured, "Only one name left out of all our big family." Turning to his guide, Yad Vashem Council head Gideon Hausner, Dr. Kreisky said he would provide the names of 28 more murdered family members whom he wanted to be commemorated in the Hall.

The signs of emotion remained on the visitor's face through the remembrance service held at the memorial, and as he laid a wreath on the tomb holding the ashes of more of the murdered millions.

The Austrian leader then joined the other mission members in Jerusalem for a tour of the Holy Places sacred to the three principle faiths: Omar and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

At the Wall, Mr. Kreisky and his colleagues donned paper skullcaps and listened attentively as Religious Ministry officials explained the religious and archaeological points of interest.

Reply to Israeli woman published in Arab press

A letter from Mrs. Sadat

The wife of the Egyptian President, Mrs. Jihan Sadat, has published a lengthy woman-to-woman reply to a letter written her by an Israeli teacher last December asking help in locating the body of her brother, who fell in the Yom Kippur War. In her reply, Mrs. Sadat expressed condolences to the writer's family, praised her "peace-loving spirit" and said that Egypt is "sincerely striving for a just and lasting peace."

The Egyptian First Lady's letter was published in the Cairo weekly "Al-Musawar" and the Beirut paper "Al-Anwar" this week, although the teacher, Ofira Telem of Acre, has not yet received the original.

Mrs. Telem sent her letter, translated into English, through the International Red Cross. In it, she described her family's grief when they were told that her brother, Eli Kimhi, 23, was missing in action after a naval commando action in Port Said on October 17.

"We grew up in a house where the roots of the Israeli-Arab conflict were explained objectively," Mrs. Telem wrote. "As veteran citizens of the mixed Arab-Jewish town of Acre, we were often guests in Arab houses, and they in ours, and we learned to look on them as men, not enemies. We were taught to love mankind and to try and understand the others.

"My father is surrounded by Arab friends. When they heard about my brother's disappearance, the Kadi of Acre refused to bless the Moslems at the end of Ramadhan. He told my father that there was no joy in his heart if Eli was missing.

"In one of my classes, one of my pupils told about a dream she had: She saw herself killing an Arab soldier and felt like a hero. I was filled with anger and explained to her that no person deserves praise for killing. We do not teach to kill. The Arab soldier is like the Israeli soldier, a man who's got to fight to obey orders. My attitude hasn't changed in spite of our disaster."

Following are excerpts from Mrs. Sadat's reply:

"I read your letter, which reached me through the Red Cross, with great interest and attention. I was deeply impressed by your family's sorrow and I feel the emotions of a mother who loses her son. I was relieved that your Arab neighbours shared your grief; throughout history, the Arabs have clung to the most elevated human traditions.

MRS. JIHAN SADAT

"I, too, am a mother and I met with our own bereaved mothers and fathers. I helped the wounded and injured in hospital as did my daughter Lubana and Naha, who are university students, and all the members of my family. Hundreds of women and young people of Egypt also volunteered for this service.

"These are the results of the war which we tried to avoid by every means so that no one would be faced with its suffering.

"My husband, the president of the republic, who loves peace, always said that we were capable of fighting to liberate our conquered land, but had no wish for war for its own sake. Therefore we knocked on the doors of world, in the East and in the West, to help bring a lasting, just peace.

"Unfortunately, those governing Israel, the commanders of the military establishment, were unmoving despite our great tolerance and constant aspirations for peace. We were forced to go to war and thousands fell. That war was imposed on us while we only wanted peace. Perhaps the results of the war will convince the rulers of Israel that life is impossible if its means are deprivation of life to others.

"Before I continue, I want to stress that I made every effort to discover the fate of your late brother. I learned that our forces could not find his body, because it was swept away by waves when he attacked Port Said as a frogman, although they did find the body of his comrade. Those responsible told me that no effort was spared in searching for the bodies, because death on the field of battle is honourable.

"I want to convey my condolences to your mother. I also welcome your peace loving spirit. If everyone responsible in Israel acted as you did with your pupil, a lasting peace would really be possible. It would be the end of the strange vision of Jewish young people in the outside world who collect donations for Israel under the slogan, 'Pay a dollar to kill an Arab'

"Wars know no real winner or loser, for losses strike both sides and the cost is great and painful. On the first day of the war, my husband's brother, a pilot, fell. And every casualty of the war of the tenth of Ramadhan is our son and part of our soul.

"I again stress to you and all those who read this among your family, neighbours, friends and students that we sincerely strive for a just and lasting peace.

"I extend my greetings to you and thank you for your personal trust in me expressed in your letter and again repeat my condolences to your mother.

Jihan al Sadat
14 February 1974"

Kreisky brothers meet, 36 years after

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — Shaul Kreisky of Jerusalem finally got to see his younger brother Bruno — now Austrian Chancellor — yesterday, 36 years after their ways parted in Europe.

Honorary Austrian Consul Dr. Ya'acov Brenner, at whose home here the reunion took place, described the meeting as "lovely and touching." The two brothers embraced, "but there were no tears. They talked about home, parents and school-days in Vienna, and Shaul spoke about his life here.

Dr. Bruno Kreisky had begun the first full day of his four-day visit to Israel as head of a Socialist International delegation by breakfasting with his 64-year-old brother. He had arrived the day before — exactly 36 years [illegible] (annexation of Austria) which sent him into 11 years of exile in Sweden and his older brother Paul (now Shaul) to Israel, where Paul became an observant Jew.

Their host yesterday, Dr. Brenner, quoted Kreisky as apologizing to his elder brother for not writing, "because you know what a busy person I am. You write to me and be patient and wait for my answer."

Shaul, who is divorced, has a son Moshe, 20, who is a sergeant in the army. Shaul himself suffered a head injury in a factory accident several years ago and since then has not been in perfect health.

Kreisky supports his brother, who lives with the Moshe Moreh family in the latter's Jerusalem apartment. Shaul has not been in Vienna since leaving it in 1938.

As Paul Kreisky, he was a socialist trade-union organizer in Austria before the Hitler years. He was arrested when a right-wing regime came to power and spent two months in the Woel[illegible] outside Vienna.

It is to this same camp that his Chancellor brother Bruno transferred the transit service for Soviet Jews emigrating to Israel after he closed down Schoenau castle last September.

Chief Rabbi Yosef calls for rescue of Syria's Jews

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Sephardic Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef yesterday called on "all the enlightened nations of the world to rescue the oppressed Jews of Syria from the barbarians surrounding them."

The Rabbi was speaking at a memorial prayer-service here for four young Jewish women from Damascus recently raped and tortured to death in Syria.

The bodies of the four — Eva Sa'ad 18, and the three Zeibak sisters Toni, 22, Laura, 23, and Fara, 24 — were found on the Lebanese border, according to the Lebanese press, which they had allegedly been trying to cross in an attempt to flee Syria. But informed sources told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that it is quite possible the brutal slayings took place in Damascus itself.

Another speaker at yesterday's meeting, Knesset Member Menahem Yadid (Likud), called on the Government to make release of Syrian Jewry a condition of any negotiations with the Damascus regime.

Kahane—on tape—blasts Gov't on Soviet Jewry

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jewish Defence League head Meir Kahane was represented at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday by a tape recorder. The recorder was operated by League secretary Yaffa Segal, 21, and a young man who declined to identify himself.

Rabbi Kahane is currently free on IL50,000 bail. His trial on conspiracy charges in the Jerusalem District Court was recessed on Wednesday to allow the Supreme Court to hear his appeal against an earlier ruling by the District Court. Judge Ya'acov Bazak had ordered the public barred from the trial after reading an affidavit by the Prime Minister, which said that some of Kahane's disclosures of details of the Government's Russian immigration activities would violate secrecy regulations and could hurt foreign relations.

At the beginning of his recording yesterday, Rabbi Kahane apologized to the few journalists present for not appearing in person. He explained that he knew from reliable sources that an order for his arrest had been issued. (Four hours before the press conference he had been at Beit Agron in person to make arrangements.)

The bulk of his message — in Hebrew and English — was a polemic against the Government for past and present actions connected with, among others, the Betar movement in Poland, the Holocaust, the IZL and Stern groups, and the Altalena incident. The recording said that "the Kastnerism which stains the soul of the Hebrew-speaking gentiles in the Israel government, also causes them to actively halt all efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry which might offend both the Kremlin and President Nixon."

At the end of his tape, Rabbi Kahane announced he would hold another press conference, in person, at his house in Jerusalem on Sunday evening. At that time he would disclose facts concerning "the treason of the Israel Government vis-a-vis Soviet Jewry."

Israel and Salvador to open embassies

Israel and Salvador have agreed to set up embassies in each other's capital cities, the Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem announced last night. Until now the two states have been represented only by non-resident diplomats. The embassies will be opened during the spring.

Sources in Jerusalem stressed the warm and friendly relations which have prevailed between the two countries since Israel was established.

Haifa bakers' dispute unsettled

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Normal bread supply in the city today is unlikely. By last night, the bakers had not abandoned their decision to work only until 6 this morning instead of 11. They say they will continue their sanctions until their employers agree to pay them an additional IL200 a month.

Yesterday, bread was short in the city and distribution uneven. Some people bought more than they needed, leaving others without any.

48 IMMIGRANT PHYSICIANS, mostly from the Soviet Union, yesterday completed an orientation course at the Nahariya Government Hospital and will soon be taking up permanent posts at hospitals around the country.

On the fourth anniversary
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Major ADAM WEILER

who fell in the defence of his country

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Ruth and David Frenkel

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Convention winds up at 3.30 a.m.

BEN-AHARON CABLE CAUSES MELEE AT HISTADRUT

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut end-s three-day national convention 30 a.m. yesterday after a noisy emotional argument centring he charismatic former secret-eneral, Yitzhak Ben-Aharon.

hile the tired delegates were going through their paces vot-down the 80-odd motions of opposition, a rumour suddenly ad that Mr. Ben-Aharon had a letter of protest to the Ben-Aharon was not seen in Mann Auditorium at all dur-the preceding two days, and not witness the lively discussion Tuesday when the motion by d to invite him to report on four years as secretary-general voted down by the convention. as during that vote that Aha-Becker, who chaired the session, nced that to the best of his ledge Mr. Ben-Aharon had invited to speak to the con-ion about any subject he wished. t at about 2 a.m. yesterday, anspired that Mr. Ben-Aharon sent a cable stating he had been approached on the er.

e session broke into pandemo-, with shouts of "we have been ted" coming from all sides. Becker, who again chaired the ing, ordered a recess for the dium to go into private session. hen they returned after half-our, they found a quieter con-on; which had used the recess ing. Mr. Ben-Aharon's tele-was read, and Rafael Bash, of Education and Culture re, apologized to Mr. Ben-on "for the misunderstanding." rlier in the night, former set member Uri Avneri and a p of his followers nearly came lows with Mr. Becker and the esman of the majority, Nathan Almoslino. The altercation began when Mr. Almoslino said Meri (the organization Mr. Avneri heads) supported the Palestinians who, if allowed to have their way, would destroy Israel. "How dare you say we want the destruction of Israel," the Meri members shouted.

Mr. Avneri jumped on the stage and grabbed Mr. Becker's microphone — but found it did not work, as somebody had switched it off when the commotion began.

Ushers and convention members joined the melee, Mr. Almoslino toned down his words, and after a few minutes the convention returned to routine.

The new Minister of Labour, Yitzhak Rabin, made a brief appearance at the convention when it met for its final session at 9 p.m. on Wednesday. The convention also heard greetings by Dr. Judah Shapiro, head of the Histadrut appeal in the U.S. Then Daniel Nahmani, of Likud, began his appeal for comradeship — and the addition of the Likud to the Central Committee.

About midnight, it was resolved by all concerned that the opposition parties would forgo their right to defend their motions and proceed with the voting, in order to save time.

Later yesterday, some of the trade unionist leaders from abroad who attended the convention held a symposium on labour ideology with Histadrut leaders.

The exchange of views was held at the conference room of the Histadrut secretary-general. The foreign members hailed from Belgium, France, West Germany, Colombia, Panama, the U.S. and Italy.

New faces in Executive

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Many of the members of the executive committee approved by the national Histadrut convention yesterday are virtual unknowns, while several veterans of many years of labour activism are notably absent.

The new executive has 94 representatives of the Alignment, including 45 of the former Mapai faction of the Labour Party, 18 Ahdut Ha'avoda men, 14 from Rafi, 17 from Mapam, as well as 37 from Likud, nine Independent Liberals, seven Religious Workers, four Rakah Communists, three Moked and three Black Panthers. The others represent the smaller parties.

The composition of the Central Committee, which runs the daily business of the Histadrut, cannot be judged from the composition of the Executive Committee, however, as Central Committee members need not be on the Executive. The Central Committee will be chosen within a week or two, when the new secretary-general is elected.

The acting secretary-general, Yeruham Meshel, is so far the sole contender for the post. The likely composition of the Central Committee will be clearer only when it is known for certain whether or not the Likud is to be excluded.

Uri Avneri, Ya'acov Riftin, Shalom Cohen and Sa'adia Marciano are among the more colourful members of the new executive, which will also include Jacques Amir, one of the leaders of the trouble-shooting workers committees in the Dan region; Reuven Geva, the trades union expert of the Labour Party; and, in the Likud, the emphatic Yoram Aridor and Akiva Nof, the song-writer.

Beduin MK holds fete

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Sheep were massacred in large numbers near here yesterday as Israel's first Beduin Knesset member threw the biggest *hafleh* (party) ever held in the State's existence. Sheikh Hamad Abu Rabeya brought together some 2,000 guests, seated on carpets and cushions in a 600 sq.m. guest tent at his tribe's encampment east of here, for the event.

The guests included Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon; Hebron Mayor Muhammed Ali Ja'abari; Nitsav Haim Tabori, commander of the Southern Police District; and Shmuel Toledano, the Prime Minister's adviser on minority affairs. Sheikh Abu Rabeya outlined his plans for his work in the Knesset — which include efforts to obtain better educational opportunities for Beduin youngsters and settlement of the Beduin land question, a 25-year-old problem.

Eliav fails to gain seat on Knesset unit

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Alignment rebel Aryeh (Lyova) Eliav will not get the seat earmarked for him on the prestigious Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Knesset, after his ex-Mapai colleagues failed to express their confidence in him in a caucus of their wing in the Knesset yesterday.

Mapai's four men on the Committee were elected by secret ballot. Moshe Baram and Aharon Yadlin topped the poll with 23 votes each, followed by Yosef Almogi with 13 and Esther Herlitz (a new M.K.) with 12. Aryeh Eliav and Shalom Levin each got 10 votes, while Abraham Ofer, Micha Harish and Adi Yaffe got five each.

Mr. Eliav told *The Jerusalem Post* later, in reaction to his defeat (by two votes less than the next successful candidate), that he hoped yesterday's secret and democratic ballot would be a hard-and-fast precedent when it came to putting Mapai men in all other elected offices, like the Cabinet and the Knesset.

"In all my years in Mapai, I can recall very few previous cases of secret ballots. But I demanded one, and I accept its results as something quite natural," Mr. Eliav told *The Post*.

The problem arose when three Mapai seats on the Committee fell vacant with the appointment of Haim Zadok, Yitzhak Rabin and Aharon Yariv to the new Cabinet.

Eliav's call for a secret ballot to elect their replacements, and also express Mapai's confidence in him, or withdraw it, was echoed by most of his colleagues present and it was decided to open the rolls once again and put up several candidates.

(Later Ofer told newsmen that he had not attended the poll, had not asked anybody to propose him, and did not know what it was all about.)

Three of the Mapai Cabinet Ministers participated in the voting: Pinhas Sapir, Aharon Yariv and Yehoshua Rabinovitch.

Also in the Alignment Knesset faction, heavy pressure will be exerted on reluctant Coalition Whip Moshe Baram to withdraw his resignation from the post — submitted after his hopes for a Cabinet seat were dashed.

The faction will probably try to organize a popular and demonstrative vote of confidence in Baram for next Monday night's caucus — after expected intervention from Mapai Cabinet Ministers.

The real tension at the caucus will probably be generated by the discussion on the handling of the three Alignment rebels — Yitzhak Ben Sharon, Eliav and Ofer.

Ben Aharon and Eliav abstained in last week's vote of confidence in the new Government, while Ofer stayed away.

Liberzon back in chess lead

By ELIAHU SHAHAF
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Grandmaster Vladimir Liberzon regained the leadership of the Israel Chess Championship with an elegant win over national master Uzi Oratz in the sixth round held on Wednesday at Yad Lebanim House. The surprise of the sixth round was, however, Israel junior champion David Bernstein's victory over senior master Malkiel Peretz, one of the leaders of the event. It was Peretz' first defeat. Israel Gelfer quickly defeated David Ben-Zion, while Moshe Czerniak and Avraham Kaldor ended in a draw. The other games were adjourned.

The overall standings (before the completion of the adjourned games): Liberzon 4 (2); Gelfer 3½ (2): Radashkovich 3½ (1): Czerniak 3 (1): Kaldor, Bernstein and Oratz 2½ (1): Peretz and Kagan 2 (3): Friedman 1½ (3): Chesakov and Mart 1½ (2): Rom 1 (3): Dobkin 1 (3): Pal½ (3): Ben-Zion ½ (1). number of adjourned games.)

In the women's championship, Olga Podrazhenskaya kept the lead with 3½ points out of 4 games, followed by Miriam Wolper 2 out of 2 and Marina Stein 1½ out of 2. All three leading players are newcomers from the Soviet Union.

Dan members meet tonight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two thousand members of the Dan bus cooperative meet tonight to start the process which will eventually result in election of the cooperative's governing bodies.

On March 25, the members will go to the polls to vote for the 39-man central committee. A week later, the elected 39 will choose from among themselves a 15-man management and 21 judges of the internal cooperative court. One week later, the management will elect from its membership a seven-man secretariat that will run the cooperative for the next four years.

The Dan members are going to the polls united, with no opposition to the present management, and no decisive changes in the cooperative's secretariat are expected. The outgoing secretariat has fulfilled the promises it made four years ago, including a vow: to close the gap between the wages of Dan and Egged cooperative members. Today they both receive a IL2,050 wage, not including premiums and overtime work.

Pay your share, Bader tells MKs

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Likud Knesset Member Yohanan Bader wants his parliamentary colleagues to tighten their belts.

The veteran of the Gahal wing of Likud wrote a letter to the chairman of the House Committee, Ari Ankorion, yesterday, challenging the body decision to raise MKs' allowances for travelling, hotels and meals.

Bader wrote that allowances should not be increased in the wake of increased costs. Instead, Knesset Members should absorb the extra outlay themselves.

He asked for the issue to be raised once again at another meeting of the House Committee at which he would be invited to state his case.

A WATER-RATES RISE of 50 per cent has been suggested to the country's local authorities by Interior Minister Director-General Haim Kubersky. In a circular sent to the authorities on Wednesday, Mr. Kubersky said the Ministry could see no alternative to having consumers bear the full cost of supplying water.

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War-dead book available again

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Another 300,000 copies of the war-dead memorial pamphlet will be distributed at post office branches throughout the country this morning. When the pamphlet was initially distributed on Tuesday, some 200,000 copies were swept up within half an hour.

A new edition of the pamphlet which, due to the pressures of printing and constant last-minute changes, contained several errors when it first appeared, will be distributed in two weeks' time. Details of distribution will be made public in the near future.

Relatives of the 2,522 war dead and missing in action listed received copies of the booklet from representatives of the Ministry of Defence on Monday night. The booklet has also already been distributed to most settlements in the country.

Police continue search for two escaped convicts

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The police are continuing their nation-wide search for two Arab security convicts who escaped from Ramle prison 12 days ago. A third Arab security convict who escaped with the two was caught the same night.

Nitzav Mishne Avraham Fleisig, deputy director-general of the Ministry of Police, said yesterday that the committee of inquiry set up by Police Minister Shlomo Hillel on the escape is due to file its report by the end of this month.

N/M Fleisig added that Minister Hillel has also appointed committees to investigate aspects of the riot that broke out one day after the escape of the three, when three warders were injured and a fourth was held hostage by four Jewish convicts for 14 hours. The committees will probe how a loaded gun was smuggled into the jail and will check into reports that the riot was organized as a diversion for a pre-planned jailbreak.

Sailors' goods' never went to sea

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

FA. — Seventy customs men ed a mass raid here yesterday hops selling so-called "seamen's orts" (i.e. smuggled goods) — found that nearly everything ale was actually made in Israel. se 70, with a protective escort 30 policemen, visited 25 such s and stalls as the first step general crackdown ordered by Customs' Investigation Depart-t. They did manage to confiscate ,000 worth of real goods for h the store owners were unable roduce import and customs re-ts; but they found that the majority of the goods on dis-— mainly jeans, underwear, cosmetics (especially sprays) were actually Israel-made, with labels changed to make them imported.

e head of the Investigations artment told *The Post* yester-that the fraudulent labelling a matter for the Commerce istry to prosecute, and said his artment would inform the Min-y of its findings. However, for action on the false labelling, omers would have to complain the Police; in addition, the for-firms whose names are being could sue the sellers.

he apparently "genuine" smug-l goods confiscated yesterday in-ed cosmetics, cigarette lighters cigarettes, apparel and shoes, r blades, electrical equipment, linen, drinks and foodstuffs.

he customs sleuth explained that swoop, carried out with the aid reinforcements from customs stations in other cities, would be followed by further raids on the "seamen's imports" stores. This was because the authorities considered them a source of crime. He himself was convinced that people who deal in smuggled goods "won't stop short of other offences," and his Department had now persuaded the Police to assist in cracking down on them.

Some of the men had run into physical resistance by some store-owners, he added.

He confirmed that since the two passenger ships Dan and Nili were laid up (as a result of a government decision partly motivated by their crews being the principal source for the goods), the number of smuggled merchandise being offered for sale had "greatly declined."

The customs officials believe that the much-reduced trade is now being carried on by sailors on the freighters, who are officially allowed to bring in a restricted amount of duty-free or light-duty imports, provided they undertake not to sell them but keep them for their families' own use. But they hope by vigorous action, with the aid of the Police, to clear up the smuggled goods markets, which have openly flourished in all the cities. "We won't be able to put a complete stop to the trade, but we can reduce it to negligible proportions," the director believes.

However, when this reporter left the Customs House he found the stalls along Derekh Ha'atzmaut, which runs parallel to the port, still doing business as usual — some *bona fide* smuggled goods and others re-labelled to make them look smuggled.

Incidentally, fraudulent brand names are not the only pitfall at these stalls. Recently, this reporter bought 10 stainless steel injector blades at one stall, at a price slightly lower than at shops which sell them with the official tax stamps; but when he opened the box at home, he found only a five-blade dispenser inside.

Until yesterday, there was nothing one could do; the authorities preferred until then to take the stand that "if you try to get something cheap, it serves you right if you're had."

TODAY'S POSTBAG

4,500 FAMILIES — many of them middle-class — of called-up soldiers have availed themselves of the special services provided by welfare offices throughout the country. The offices will continue to help supply maids or baby-sitters for such families having four or more under-14 children, and to arrange day-care for under-five-year-olds.

IL500 EFFICIENCY PRIZES were awarded on Wednesday by the Bank of Israel to four of its employees — Mrs. R. Marmelstein, Mrs. R. Berman, Mr. M. Friedman and Mr. L. Salter.

CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION fell last week by IL2,919,306.83, to stand at IL2,826m. Of this, IL195m. was backed by gold and IL2,631m. by foreign currency reserves.

Portuguese accused of Mozambique massacre

DAR ES SALAAM (AP). — The Mozambique Liberation Front (Frelimo) has charged that Portuguese troops massacred 28 civilians and destroyed crops at Chimara, central Mozambique, on January 13.

A Frelimo communique issued here yesterday said the alleged massacre was part of an intensified terror campaign in the area following Frelimo successes.

Acquitted because offence committed in no-man's-land

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LAN HEIGHTS. — The Military urt here acquitted a Majdal ams resident of espionage charges, en it was shown that the acts h which he was charged were mmitted in no-man's-land be-een Israel and Syrian forces and subject to Israel army jurisdic-n.

he accused, Mahmoud Abu-Sa-, 33, was sentenced to three rs in prison, however, for illegal ssession of a Kalatchnikov auto-tic rifle. He was arrested when Druse spy ring was uncovered here last year, and charged with sevent counts of espionage.

According to the charges, Abu-Salah escaped from the Golan to Syria during the Six-Day War, and infiltrated back several times afterward, together with two Syrian agents, to gather information left in drop-boxes. In 1969, however, he tired of this work, and on one of his missions he shot his two companions and returned to his home in Majdal Shams. He then hid the weapon in his yard, and told security forces he had escaped from Syria via Lebanon.

"All the parties have let us down"

Armoured Corps reservists demand new elections

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Over 200 reservists discharged from the Armoured Corps earlier this week after serving since Yom Kippur demonstrated outside the Knesset yesterday, calling for the Eighth Knesset to be dissolved and a new Knesset elected according to a reformed electoral system based on constituencies.

The demonstrators said they had made a pledge before their demobilization to meet outside the Knesset and voice their disgust with "the party hacks on all sides of the House."

They said they had no intention of blaming any specific party or any specific person because they felt "all the parties have let us down." They said their group included men who were committed to various parties.

Using megaphones, speakers at the demonstration charged that "all the country's parties were practising fraud" and that the "party machine men were parasites who have fouled up the country."

They said "the men who have had a free hand running the country so far have to accept full responsibility for what happened last October. No nation has ever experienced such shocks without the leadership undergoing some changes."

The demonstrators, who appeared to be in their late twenties and early thirties, sang Yom Kippur War songs before the protest officially began.

A few of the men carried a big banner which said in Hebrew: *Kama haval hamahdal* — which roughly rendered into English means: "What a pity it was that we were let down."

HUMOURIST EPHRAIM KISHON will be honoured by a special week at the Jerusalem Theatre, beginning on Monday, April 8. The opening will feature greetings by Mayor Teddy Kollek, scenes played by Shmuel Segal and Shmuel Rodensky and a showing of the film, "Azulai the Policeman."

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Kurds battle Iraqi government forces

ANKARA. — Kurdish tribesmen seeking greater autonomy are engaged in heavy fighting with Government troops in neighbouring Iraq, the Turkish government said yesterday.

News reports reaching Ankara said the nomadic Kurds of oil-rich northern Iraq were in full control of the mountainous border area and had cut the main highway between Iraq and Kuwait near the town of Zakho.

The Turkish News Agency (THA) reported from Mardin in southeastern Turkey that Kurds and Iraqi forces were fighting 1.5 kms from the Turkish border and artillery fire could be heard in Mardin. THA said Turkish border divisions were on full alert.

Turkey ordered the border closed to keep the trouble from spreading to its own Kurdish minority. Security officials said they took stern measures against any attempt by Turkish Kurds to bring aid to their kin in Iraq.

The reported outbreak came days after violent border clashes between Iraq and its eastern neighbour Iran. It followed Kurdish complaints that an autonomy plan offered by the central Government did not go far enough.

Turkish newspapers have claimed that the Kurds are being equipped with new arms by Iran, but this has been denied by the Iranian Embassy in Ankara. During the 1961-1970 revolt Kurdish militia are known to have received arms supplies through Iran.

The Haber News Agency reported that townspeople at the Silopi border post had seen Kurdish tribesmen driving jeeps carrying eight Iraqi casualties. The Iraqi soldiers appeared to be dead, it added.

(UPI, Reuter)

Separatist found shot dead in Pakistan

QUETTA, Pakistan (AP, Reuter). — The Deputy Speaker of the Baluchistan Provincial Assembly was found murdered in his car 320 kilometres northeast of here yesterday, police have reported. He had been shot four times.

Yael Dayan-Sion thinks there'll be change

By YITZHAK RABI

NEW YORK (JTA). — The daughter of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan believes Israel's political leadership is badly in need of young blood. But she doesn't think her father should resign as many Israelis have been demanding.

Mrs. Yael Dayan-Sion told the JTA yesterday "a change must take place in the Israeli leadership." But this must come about through "free elections" within the ruling Labour Party. She was opposed to the automatic removal of veteran leaders such as Premier Meir, Yisrael Galili and her father, but predicted that changes would occur rather soon, "maybe even before the next general elections."

Mrs. Dayan-Sion, 35, married to an Israeli army officer and the mother of two, has just concluded a two-week lecture tour in the U.S. on behalf of the UJA.

She said she didn't think her father should resign. "I believe in him. I accept his political and personal decisions because I know his integrity and honesty."

She was concerned that Mr. Dayan's popularity in Israel has declined sharply since the Yom Kippur War. But she said that did not disturb him. "He is not heart-broken because of that," she said. "He is not shattered. I think he is less sensitive to popularity than other politicians."

India taking over 'Esso' operations

NEW DELHI (AP). — The Indian Government last night acquired 74 per cent equity in all of Esso's business interests in India as a prelude to assuming complete ownership of the American oil company's operations here in 1981.

India's phased nationalization was made with the agreement of Esso India, a subsidiary of the Exxon corporation. A formal agreement culminating more than a year of negotiations was signed here by representatives of the Government and Esso.

A Government statement said that Esso would receive 180m. rupees in foreign exchange—or about $22.5m.—as compensation for the takeovers. The compensation is to be paid over a seven-year period, and the statement said Esso would receive an additional 60m. rupees in foreign exchange — or about $7.5m. — as tax-free interest on the outstanding balance until the final payment is made in 1981.

The agreement is expected to lead to similar negotiations with the two other foreign oil companies operating in India: Burmah-Shell, a subsidiary of Britain's Burmah Oil Company and the Royal Dutch Shell group, and Caltex Oil Refining (India), a subsidiary of the parent American firm.

A Burmah-Shell spokesman said that the company has already informed the Indian Government of its willingness to begin negotiations on ways to achieve Indian majority participation in its local operations.

The foreign oil companies have been facing increasing difficulties in India in the past few years, with the Government often resisting increases in crude oil prices.

Brezhnev asks France to join in guaranteeing Middle East peace

PITSUNDA, Soviet Union (Reuter). — Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev has told French President Georges Pompidou he would like France to join in guaranteeing a Middle East peace settlement, French sources said yesterday. Mr. Brezhnev made the offer during the two-day Franco-Soviet summit meeting, which ended at this Black Sea resort on Wednesday, the sources said.

The Kremlin chief also assured Mr. Pompidou that he wanted no part of any "Super-power condominium" with the U.S. — a role France has accused Moscow of playing.

His expressed desire for France to take part in the final stages of the Middle East Peace conference at Geneva — where the U.S. and the Soviet Union are currently the only non-Middle East states represented — is underlying Soviet reluctance to be seen in league with the U.S.

If France were invited to join the Middle East Peace Conference, Britain too would presumably be called into the act as another nation with strong traditional ties in the area.

France has denounced both the Soviet Union and the U.S. for conspiring together in settling last October's Middle East fighting, accusing them of trying to foist a Super-power condominium on the world. Mr. Brezhnev's reported response to this accusation was also interpreted as Soviet pique at the way U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has appeared to have taken over Middle East peace initiatives.

The Franco-Soviet Black Sea summit ended with the Kremlin leader failing in his chief objective of winning over Mr. Pompidou on how to achieve lasting detente in Europe.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency reports from Paris that during President Pompidou's visit to Moscow, Jewish militants occupied the premises of the "France-USSR Association" in the French capital to protest Soviet repressive emigration practices towards Jews.

East, West Germany now in formal touch

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN, West Germany. — East and West Germany yesterday signed an agreement here to set up "permanent missions" in each other's capitals.

The move, which in Bonn's view does not create formal diplomatic relations, enables the two states to work with each other through staffs of officials led by a quasi-ambassador. Heads of the "missions" will be called "directors" and while they and their staffs will have all the facilities of diplomats, they will not be formally classified as such.

Negotiations on the permanent missions had stumbled along for months as both East and West Germany argued differing views on their international status. Bonn had maintained that the two are still states within "one" Germany and could therefore not exchange ambassadors at an official diplomatic level. The East Germans, in turn, pressed for full diplomatic trappings, claiming that each country is a separate and sovereign state under international law.

Officials here believe the breakthrough came under the influence of Moscow, which feared the snail's pace of the talks was irritating West German voters and undermining Chancellor Willy Brandt's "Ostpolitik" of better relations with East Europe. The agreement also appears to indicate continued Soviet willingness to promote a detente with West Germany.

Students demonstrate in Sidon

SIDON, Southern Lebanon (Reuter). — Demonstrating students hurled stones at police and set tyres ablaze in the centre of this city yesterday.

The demonstrators demanded improved curricula and guaranteed jobs for graduates, supporting their colleagues in Beirut who have held similar marches over the past few days.

The students also protested against "police repression" and a political settlement to the Middle East crisis.

Student demands were discussed at a cabinet meeting held in Beirut on Wednesday during which the government approved the establishment of schools of engineering and agriculture at the state-run Lebanese University.

ROME (AP). — The undersea cable connecting Italy with Africa broke down yesterday, disrupting telephone communications between the two, international telephone operators said.

Lawyer wants Nixon summoned as witness

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A lawyer for one of four men who pleaded not guilty yesterday to Watergate-related charges said he will attempt to have President Richard Nixon summoned as a witness.

Mr. Henry Rothblatt, counsel for Felipe de Diego, who has been accused as a conspirator in the 1971 burglary of the offices of the psychiatrist of Pentagon Papers defendant Daniel Ellsberg, told reporters he would "fight" to have every relevant witness needed for Mr. de Diego's defence brought into court.

Asked if this would include President Nixon, Mr. Rothblatt said the President was "a very relevant witness."

Besides Mr. de Diego, those who entered not guilty pleas when arraigned yesterday in U.S. District Court were G. Gordon Liddy, Bernard Barker and Eugenio Martinez, all of whom were convicted for the June, 1972, burglary at the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee in the Watergate office building.

Meanwhile, the Congressional Committee investigating President Nixon's possible impeachment yesterday *held off from court action* to force the White House to produce evidence it says it needs for its inquiry.

But there were signs of increasing irritation over White House reluctance to accede to the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee's demands for tapes and documents.

The Committee's top Republican, Mr. Edward Hutchinson of Michigan, called its requests reasonable and realistic. In his harshest comment since the impeachment probe began, he added: "There would not have been any inquiry if there had been no suspicion about the President's action regarding the so-called Watergate coverup."

Unprecedented UK soccer Cup replay

LONDON (Reuter). — The English Football Association yesterday ordered Newcastle and Nottingham Forest to replay their FA Cup quarter-final, interrupted last weekend by a crowd riot. The replay will be staged on Monday at a neutral ground.

The decision, taken by a special four-man FA investigatory commission, has no precedent this century. The original game last Saturday was won 4-3 by Newcastle on their home ground, after crowds of spectators had invaded the pitch when Forest led 3-1.

The teams left the pitch for the eight minutes it took to restore order, but Nottingham officials appealed against the result on the grounds that their players had been intimidated by the behaviour of the crowd. Newcastle were drawn to meet Burnley in the semi-finals.

Senate votes to restore death penalty

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The Senate yesterday voted 54 to 33 to restore the death penalty in the United States and make it mandatory in certain circumstances.

The bill now goes to the House, which voted earlier yesterday to establish much of the same procedure used in the Senate bill in connection with aircraft hijacking.

There have been no executions in the U.S. since 1967. In 1972, the Supreme Court overturned laws dealing with the death penalty, ruling they were written in ways which gave too much discretionary authority to judges and juries and led to discrimination against the poor and minorities.

Terrorist scare at Athens airport

ATHENS (UPI). — Athens Airport authorities yesterday stepped up security measures following information that Arab terrorists would launch an operation to secure the release of two of their colleagues held in Athens, an airport source said.

Witnesses said that extra security officers were placed in key places around the airport's two terminal buildings, despite pouring rain that continued throughout the morning hours.

Malaysia limits dealings in Israeli currency

KUALA LUMPUR (Reuter). — The Malaysian government has imposed foreign exchange control measures on financial transactions with Israel following its recent ban on trade with it, it was announced here yesterday.

Deputy Finance Minister Mohamed Rahmat said all dealings in Israeli currency were restricted and all debits and credits to Israeli accounts required permission of the foreign exchange control authorities.

Bill on financing parties 'hastily drafted'

Scepticism over Italian bid to end political corruption

[illegible] debate, Italy has taken [illegible] step toward public financing of political parties, but newspapers wondered yesterday if an annual outlay of 795 lire (a little over five Israeli pounds) by each Italian would be enough to end corruption.

Leaders of all but one of the parties represented in parliament reported agreement Wednesday on a bill providing for parties to be financed out of tax money in proportion to their vote.

Newspaper commentators said the measure was hastily drawn up to appease public indignation over an oil bribery scandal and gave no guarantee against a recurrence of payoffs.

Party leaders said the bill would be presented in parliament at once [illegible] fidence vote on the new cabinet Premier Mariano Rumor was expected to complete last night.

The party leders said the bill called for an [illegible]ual allocation of 43 billion lire (IL 277.2m.) to be shared among a[illegible] parties in parliament, plus 15 bi[illegible]on lire (IL96.6m.) for each election campaign.

In each case, [illegible] per cent of the sum would be [illegible]vided among all parties on an e[illegible]al basis and the remainder in p[illegible]portion to their popular vote. T[illegible]e are now seven nationwide parti[illegible] in parliament.

Political leade[illegible] had long talked about public fi[illegible]cing of parties. Political sources [illegible]id what moved them to action [illegible]w was charges that a number [illegible] politicians from government and [illegible]pposition parties had accepted bri[illegible] from oil men to make the energ[illegible]risis look worse than it was, inc[illegible]e gasoline prices and support le[illegible]tion favourable to oil companies.

[illegible] last week to start a formal inquest against two former cabinet ministers named in the scandal and dismiss charges against four others. If the commission finds evidence against the two, a joint session of parliament would decide whether to send them for trial before the constitutional court.

The Rome newspaper "Il Messaggero" said it was not clear if the measure would ban private subsidies to parties. It said such a ban was needed even if it means increasing the size of the (public) contribution. Milan's "Corriere della Sera" said the bill "appears hasty," and that guarantees which the politicians promised to provide later should have been enforced before public financing. Among these, it said, are more easily readable corporation budgets, a reduction of the parliamentary immunity enjoyed by politicians and a shortening of election campaigns to reduce costs.

Nato officials meet to heal U.S.-Europe rift

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — Top foreign ministry officials from the 15 Nato nations met here yesterday in the first of a series of consultations designed to heal the rift between the U.S. and Europe.

The officials joined their nations' permanent ambassadors to the alliance to try and work out ways to prevent a recurrence of the dispute which flared between the Americans and their European allies during the October Middle East War. The Europeans were angered when the Americans placed their armed forces on a world-wide partial nuclear alert without first consulting them. The U.S. Government was upset in turn when the European nations failed to support its efforts to help Israel.

The U.S. and the 14 Nato countries issued the following statement after their meeting: "The North Atlantic Council met with senior officers from Nato Governments. The discussions focused on relations between East and West and on alliance consultation. The meeting, held in a very constructive spirit, can be considered as another positive step towards improvements of allied consultation."

(Reuter, UPI)

UN chief meets Gamasy

CAIRO (UPI). — Lt.-Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, Commander of the United Nations Emergency Force, yesterday met for 45 minutes with Egyptian Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Mohammed Gamasy, a UNEF spokesman announced.

The two reviewed implementation of the Israeli-Egyptian disengagement agreement, the spokesman said. The meeting followed a Unef-conducted inspection of Israeli and Egyptian lines in Sinai which showed that troops and armaments have been reduced as specified in the accord.

Siilasvuo will hold a similar meeting in Jerusalem next week with the Israeli Chief of Staff, Maj.-Gen. David Elazar, the spokesman said.

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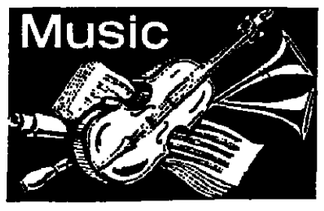

Portrait of Debussy proves enlightening

novel combination of "Words and Music," presented by Ada Brodsky and Avi Hanani, and "Portrait Composer," in the Jerusalem phony Orchestra series, produced nd of "Marathon" at the Theatre Tuesday (March 12). The start- hour of 6.30 p.m. is too early for t working people, and the 45- ute interval between the two pro- mmes not long enough to go e and return in time for the phony concert.

he idea of presenting the "por- " of a composer is a good one should be followed up. The bio- phical details, letters, reminis- es of contemporaries — selected good taste and an eye for in- sting highlights — provided a insight into the life of the art- and the musical examples cho- were a most enjoyable and en- tening addition to the later of- ngs of the orchestra.

aritone Jerome Barry has a so- ous voice; Robin Weisel, soprano, tributed an excellent rendering "Noel des enfants," a bitter- et song of hard war-times; ander Wolkov provided a factory accompaniment and d three preludes. Two in- mental interludes from "Chan- de Billitis" and an Interlude the Sonata of 1916 were render- ppropriately by Hanoch and Sha- Tel-Oren, flutes, Nahum Per- witz, viola, and Wilhelmine Bu- er, harp. With Debussy's predi- on for the queenly instrument, harpist was a key-figure in the rgramme and Miss Bucherer met challenge with distinction. The ings were expertly done by Dan ner, Yoram Arbel and Shamira r. Compliments to Ada Brodsky Avi Hanani for this excellent ramme.

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E symphony concert which fol- wed was directed by Noam She- not exactly suited by tempera- ment for Debussy's transparent water-colours, but his innate musicianship led him to avoid too many rough edges and loud dynamics. Technically, the performances were all of a high standard.

Mel Keller was the soloist in the Rhapsody for Saxophone, the only "20th century" work on the programme. Musically quite a weak work, it probably reflected Debussy's dislike of composing to order— it was commissioned by a wealthy woman in 1911 — but it gave Mel Keller the opportunity to play his beloved instrument in a "respectable" symphony concert, which he did with his customary restraint and perfect control, flawless technique and musical soundness.

The other solo piece was a revelation. Written in 1890, the "Fantaisie" for piano and orchestra is rarely performed (it was, I think, the first performance here), but the neglect is quite unjustified. With Walter Hautzig at the piano — his musicianship, taste and technical mastery are well remembered from previous visits — the composition was given a most impressive performance. In the complete harmony between soloist, conductor and orchestra, the Fantaisie provided a counter-weight to the theory that forgotten pieces are always rightly put aside. In my opinion, it turned out to belong to Debussy's best.

The "Petite Suite" (1888), originally written for four-hand piano, is entertaining but light-weight. The conductor forced the tempi too much, and any water-colour inherent in the music was drowned in masses of sound. The Prelude to "L'Après-midi d'un Faune" (1894) also started off too realistically though it improved somewhat later. The final "Nocturnes" (1899), with the women's section of the Rubin Academy Chamber Choir (Stanley Sperber, director) providing the Sirens, came out best. Much of the music was presented in precise outlines, without the soft blur around the edges, as if the conductor hesitated to express or did not grasp, the essence of impressionism.

The lighting effects, turning the background of the stage in the opening and closing items into different combinations of green, red and gold were executed so elegantly and with such restraint that they made a positive contribution to the atmosphere of the concert.

YOHANAN BOEHM

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SOPRANO Marianne Dorsch, a guest singer from Germany, and tenor Misha Raitzin, a newcomer from the Soviet Union, presented a joint recital of arias and duets at the Tel Aviv Museum (March 6). Miss Dorsch is hampered by lack of volume, voice modulation and musical expression and her executions were not always flawless, even technically. Although there were a few pleasing items her performance as a whole lacked contrast and tension.

Misha Raitzin, on the other hand, has many of the indispensable qualities needed to make an aria a convincing experience. His voice is of considerable beauty and the high notes have a fine metallic quality. He seems extremely well versed in romantic opera and his place is undoubtedly on the stage, where his talents could be fully exploited. However, musically speaking, he too seems to move in a narrow circle and most of his items were shaped in almost identical patterns of expression. His preference for slow and unchanging tempi is particularly to be regretted.

Both singers were accompanied by Ruth Mense.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

VISITOR'S GALLERY

'Exorcist' author surprised by reactions to the movie

WILLIAM Peter Blatty, producer and author of "The Exorcist," the film which has caused more frenzies, faints, hysterics and endless queues in the United States than the Beatles did during their most successful period, is at present in Israel, seeking up material for his next book. This will be about an American who comes to Israel in search of God, and works as a volunteer in a hospital.

"The Exorcist" deals with what happens when an evil spirit enters into the body of a young girl, and drives her to commit the most revolting excesses, including masturbating with a cross. Ultimately the daemon is driven out by exorcism, the rites of which are performed by Jesuit priests. To complete this act of love one of the priests throws himself out of the window — an act which seems, on the face of it, from one's reading of Grahame Greene, to be the ultimate sin, according to Roman Catholic belief. But Blatty, himself a Roman Catholic, does not see it that way.

"The priest does not really kill himself — he goes out of the window as an act of love, to save the girl — but he would have liked to have been rescued by a miracle, or by somebody placing a net below the building. He does not destroy himself. He is like the war hero, Kelly, who crash-dived his plane on to a Japanese aircraft-carrier. That is not suicide, but dedication."

Despite the shocking nature of the film, only two Jesuit priests have expressed objections to it to Blatty; most of them praise it as a sincere attempt to come to grips with on of the most mystifying manifestations of human life. The story is based on a real case, which took place in Washington in 1949, in which priests went through the ritual of exorcism to help a boy, after doctors, psychiatrists and parapsychologists had given up the case as beyond their understanding. The priests succeeded, without any of them dying.

Idea of possession

Mr. Blatty says that the idea of possession is found in all folklores, and has never been rationally explained. Among the Jews, of course, there is the famous story of the Dybbuk. Possession, he adds, can be of two kinds, by the soul of a dead person — as in the case of the Dybbuk — or by an evil daemon, as in his story. There is also another phenomenon, which he calls obsession, in which a poltergeist persecutes the victims, sometimes by physical assaults. This is generally linked to a place rather than a person, and the poltergeist can be driven off by lesser rites than full exorcism.

The author, a relaxed, amiable conversationalist, describes all these aspects of the occult with a completely straight face, and, for all I know, is himself absolutely convinced that these mysteries are real. He was born in New York in 1928; his parents had gone to America from the Lebanon, where his wife's uncle had established the Harrissa Missionary Society on Mount Harrissa. The family are all Roman Catholics.

His previous books and screen scenarios include several successes, although none has achieved the staggering triumph of "The Exorcist." Several of them were comedies. Among his scenarios are "John Goldfarb, Please Come Home"; "The Great Bank Robbery"; "Gunn"; "A Shot in the Dark"; "Darling Lily"; "What Did You Do in the War, Daddy?" He was educated at a Jesuit High School and University in Brooklyn, before going on to major in English literature at George Washington University. Now living in Hollywood, he has three children and three grandchildren — he is only 47, but both he and his daughter married young.

Academy nominations

"The Exorcist" has already received ten Academy nominations — Blatty himself stands to get two Oscars, for the best screen play and the best picture, when the awards are made on April 2. The film has already received the Overseas Press Award for the best picture of the year, the best director, the best screen play, the best scenario, and the best supporting actress — Linda Blair as the little girl.

The film is scheduled to reach Israel only in September, by which time, Blatty hopes, he will have finished his novel about this country. He hopes that he will subsequently produce a film based on it, so his present visit, his third, is likely to be only the precursor of many.

Is he surprised that the film created such a furore, and that it was not banned?

"Oh, no, I never expected it to be banned. I was sure that the film would be a success, after the book had done so well, but of course I never dreamed that it would create such a sensation. I didn't expect people to faint and have hysterics and so on, and, frankly, I can't explain why they do. This is a phenomenon I don't fully understand."

PHILIP GILLON

William Blatty

Sophisticated sex comedy

Touch of Class (Peer, Tel) is a sophisticated comedy t the sex war between men women, reminiscent in theme the 'forties films which used star Katherine Hepburn and ncer Tracy but with differences not only the permissive years e brought with them.

lenda Jackson plays Vicki, an lish dress designer, a divorcee two children, and George Se- is Steve, a well-to-do American rance agent, married and the her of two children, too. (His , who makes only brief appear- es, is played by a very good- ing actress called Hildegarde l). Vicki and Steve meet at an teur ball game in London's e Park and a series of coinci- ces brings the two together with ults that are not altogether un- ected.

irected at a smart pace by Mel- Frank (who also wrote the enplay with Jack Rose), the film is entertaining as long as it keeps light in tone and comic. The dialogue is sharp and witty and there are some really funny situations such as when Steve just manages to escape having to take his whole family with him on his week of amorous dalliance with Vicki in Spain. It is when the fun turns serious and supposed heartache makes its appearance that the picture begins to flag.

George Segal, who has developed a nice touch with comedy, is full of charm as a man who wants to eat his cake and have it too, but Glenda Jackson, excellent actress though she is, is really not too well cast and speaks her lines with a venom which surely would have un-manned Steve. *S.W.*

Boxcar Bertha (Chen, Tel Aviv), is based on the autobiography of Bertha Thompson, a notorious female train robber in Arkansas during the Depression era. The title role is played by Barbara Hershey ("The Babymaker," "Last Summer").

The story starts with Bertha's father being forced by his boss to fly a crop-dusting biplane when it is unsafe, and the aircraft crashing in front of her eyes. Bitter against the society she feels is responsible for this tragedy, the girl joins the masses of unemployed, hopping railroad boxcars as she moves from town to town in search of non-existent work. Before long, she falls in with three other drifters.

Filmed entirely on location in Arkansas, director Martin Scorsese succeeds in capturing the flavour of the American South in the early 1930's, and the acting of the whole cast is first-class. Barbara Hershey herself gives a beautiful performance, as she changes from an innocent young girl to the tough, gun-toting gang leader rather free with her favours. However, she is handicapped by a screenplay which leaves Bertha as a somewhat superficial character, lacking depth. Perhaps because of this, the film tends to lack conviction and only rarely fully involves the viewer. Interesting, nevertheless. *J.L.*

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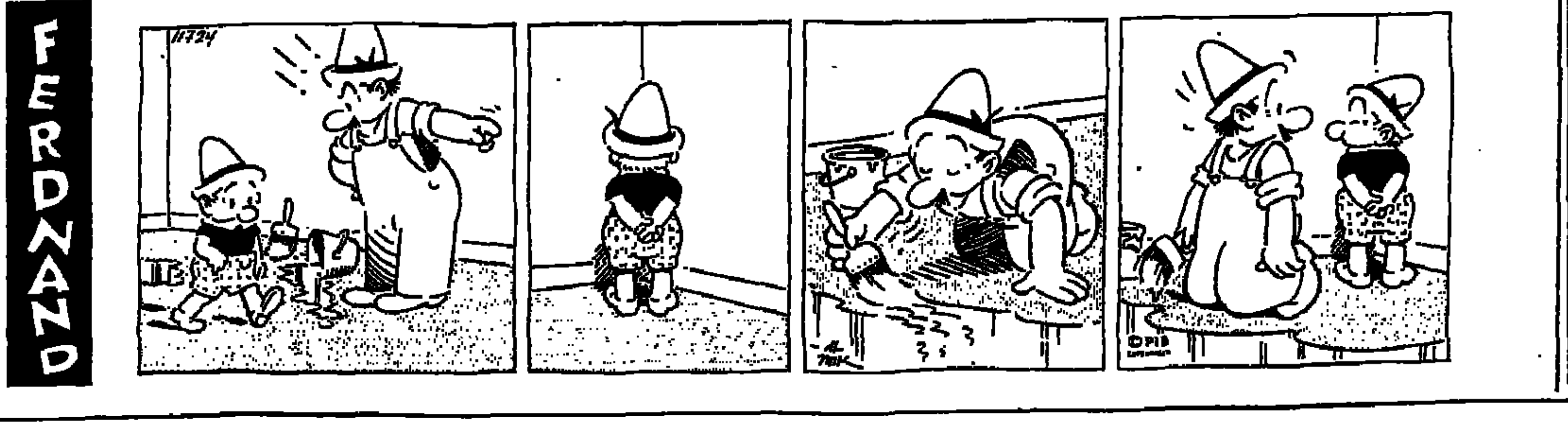

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Kremlin woos Amin with arms supplies

Challenge to China's interests in Africa

By K. C. THALER

NDON (UPI). — The Soviet nion, probing deeper into Africa, s sent a consignment of arms to ganda, the most recent of Mos-w's clients (reported briefly in sterday's *Post*).

Authoritative Western reports id the consignment, including nks, guns and Mig jet fighters, was loaded at the port of Mombasa d transported overland to Uganda rlier this week.

There, President Idi Amin wel-med their arrival as a contribution "the improvement of the balance power in Africa."

So far the Soviet stake has been rgely concentrated in north east frica, in the Somali Democratic epublic where the Russians estab-shed a foothold soon after indepen-nce in 1960. They have since con-lidated and widened it substan-ally with important naval facili-s, after equipping the Somali my with tanks and Mig fighters.

INDIAN OCEAN

Somalia in effect is the main ntre of Soviet maritime activity on e African seaboard of the Indian cean — the new major target of viet strategy following its push the Middle East. Moscow's im-ediate intentions in Uganda are t clear so far. But diplomatic of-ials said this was *just* another portunity the Kremlin could not sist to grasp, especially since it fered also a challenge to China's terests in Africa.

Amin, who has originally asked rael for arms but was refused and ter broke with it, had subsequently approached the Peking Ambassador in Kampala, Ko Pu-hai. The reply from Chinese Premier Chou En-lai affirmed solidarity with Uganda in "its economic war," but apparently went no further.

The Russians stepped in and several months ago made their first quiet move by sending a small arms consignment. Now they have moved more openly and more significantly by sending two ships with a variety of arms — 38 armoured troop carriers with mounted guns, tanks, anti-aircraft guns, Mig-17 jets and trucks.

ANXIETY

The move was said to have caused anxiety in the countries neighbouring Uganda where Amin's intentions have been questioned for some time past. Amin has been suspected of harbouring ambitious plans to make Uganda the most powerful military factor in east and central Africa.

This aspect could provide the Russians therefore with a valuable foothold provided the relationship with Amin lasts.

Amin has at the same time established a working relationship with Libya's Colonel Muammer Gaddafi who apparently had been instrumental in swaying Amin against Israel with promises of financial and military aid. A small detachment of Libyan soldiers was sent to Uganda *at the time to assist* in training and the defence of the country. Little has been heard of them or further deevlopments since. Nor *is* the extent of Libya's financial assistance known.

The Soviet arms were sent to Amin as a gift.

Arab oil ministers photographed on Wednesday during their meeting in Tripoli to review the oil embargo against the U.S. In the foreground is the Algerian Energy Minister and President of the Arab oil organization, Belaid Abdessalam. The others are, from the right, organization secretary Ali Ahmed Attiga (partly hidden), Bahrain Oil Minister (name not available), Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, Saudi Oil Minister, and Hali Kafi, Algerian Ambassador to Libya (story Page 1). (AP radiophoto)

Bonn Minister: Oil firms too secretive

CHICAGO. — West German Finance Minister Helmut Schmidt said on Wednesday that Governments can *no longer afford to stand by* watching the pricing and selling policies of large oil corporations.

"I *felt* rather helpless that at one time during the oil crisis the Federal German Government depended for its information entirely on the *good will of a few company* directors," said Mr. Schmidt in an address here.

"There *is* no other way for the oil companies but to make their activities in the markets more transparent," he said. "And when I say transparent, I mean plain as a pike-staff, including the balance sheet. There must at least be clear answers to the questions of the taxation of income and of checks on prices," he *said.*

Meanwhile, ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) are due to meet in Vienna tomorrow to set new prices for oil from the Persian Gulf, Libya and Algeria. But *observers said* the outcome of the conference is unpredictable.

One member country, Kuwait, has been disappointed by low bids for oil offered through auctions on the free market. In fact, the trend in Kuwait and other Persian Gulf states lately appears to have been toward sinking prices for auctioned oil, informed sources here said. Meanwhile, Libya and Algeria are known to have called *for higher prices.*

Agreement of the oil ministers *from* the Persian Gulf and the two African countries is further complicated by the fact that oil shipped from the Gulf area sells at a different price than oil travelling in pipelines *to* Mediterranean ports or produced in countries of that region. *(UPI, AP)*

Turkey may grow opium poppy again

NKARA. — *Foreign Minister* Turan Gunes has indicated Turkey may soon allow opium poppy cultivation which it banned in 1972.

Mr. Gunes said in a televised news conference on Wednesday night that the supply of opium for medicinal purposes *fell 200 tons* short of world demand after Turkey stopped production in 1972. "Now we understand there are efforts to increase the opium production of other countries, such as India, to meet this amount. This *means our legitimate income* will be flowing to other countries," Mr. Gunes said.

Referring to the $35m. grant the U.S. pays Turkey to support the poppy ban, Mr. Gunes said: "This money is not important. We cannot allow *the farmers to be dependent* on the charity of a foreign country no matter how friendly that country may be." Mr. Gunes stopped short of saying outright that poppy cultivation would resume.

He *said Turkey seeks to* convince the U.S. that resumption of poppy cultivation would not necessarly lead to opium smuggling.

He said his Government is aware of the strong reaction Turkey may face if it lifts the ban before the U.S. is sufficiently assured on the matter of smuggling.

In *Washington, two New York* Congressmen said on Wednesday they would try to cut off a billion dollars in U.S. aid and credits to Turkey if Ankara allows farmers to resume growing opium.

Turkish Ambassador Melih Esenbe, meanwhile, met with Under-secretary of State Joseph Sisco and told *him Turkey has not yet made* a decision to resume production of poppies, although it will plant a seed crop this year.

The Congressmen, Democrats Lester Wolff and Charles B. Ragel, flew to Turkey for three days of meetings with Foreign Minister Gunes and other officials. *(AP, UPI)*

BP sells less, makes more

LONDON (UPI). — British Petroleum (BP) sold less oil last year — *but its profits flared from 70* million pounds to 310 million pounds, BP said yesterday.

Chairman Sir Eric Drake revealed that the group's sales of crude oil and oil products fell by more than three million tons to 230 million tons.

But income per ton sold jumped 30 pence to 135 pence.

On top of this, profits were boosted by a 60 million pounds currency windfall.

There was a big saving, too, from the closure of the Italian re*fining and marketing operation* during the year.

Sir Eric said the average cost of crude oil doubled from five pounds to 10 pounds per ton between January and October. More hikes since then will most certainly take the price to 25 pounds in 1974.

This means the company will face a cash squeeze because of the need to finance increasingly costly stocks of oil. Capital spending jumped from £333m. to *£400m. last year.*

Petrol stocks up in U.S.

WASHINGTON (UPI). — There is more petrol available in storage and pipelines now than a year ago be-[illegible] according to industry statistics released Wednesday.

The American Petroleum Institute (API) said in its weekly statistical report on petroleum stocks and imports that everything except heavier fuel oils was up the week ending March 8 as compared to the same time last year.

Official weekly figures from the Federal Energy Office, which have never coincided with the API reports, will not be available until today.

The API said petrol inventories in [illegible] week ending March 9 were up some 7 million barrels — 294 million gallons.

The one major refined product that was down compared with a year earlier was residual fuel oil. Stocks as of March 8, totalled 44.28 million barrels, down from 46.6 million a year previously.

Imports of crude oil totaled 2.12 million barrels *daily* the week ending March 8, down from the 2.54 million *the previous week.*

Saigon charges PoWs treated inhumanely

South Vietnam says Vietcong still hold 100,000 captive

SAIGON (AP)). — The South Vietnamese government charged yesterday the Vietcong have treated prisoners inhumanely and that they are still holding nearly 100,000 government military and civilian personnel in North Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.

In a note to the parties to the international accord on Vietnam made available to newsmen, the South Vietnamese Foreign Ministry *said almost all the* prisoners recently released by the Vietcong were "either seriously ill or in such a precarious state of health that they had to be hospitalized." The note said at least six per cent of Saigon prisoners acknowledged held by the Vietcong had died in captivity.

Meanwhile, American officials here denied that the delivery of four advanced fighter-bombers to South Vietnam violates the Vietnam peace agreement prohibiting the introduction of new types of arms into the country.

The Vietcong have charged that supplying the F5Es to the South *Vietnamese air force violates the* provision of the January 1973 agreement permitting replacement of arms, munitions and war supplies only on a piece-by-piece basis with *material "of the same characteris*tics and properties."

The Communists claim the new plane, a replacement for the F5A fighter-bomber, outperforms the F5A *in range*, bomb load, and *radar* and bomb guidance systems. Four F5Es arrived on Wednesday at the Bien Hoa air base near Saigon, the South Vietnamese command said.

NOT AVAILABLE

A U.S. embassy spokesman said "the F5As are not available any more." "The F5Es are still basically the same aircraft. We do not consider this a violation of the cease-fire," he said.

The official said he couldn't tell how many F5Es "are in the pipeline" for South Vietnam, but some reports have said 150 will be delivered *in the next two years.*

In Washington, reports of a United States military officer illegally advising Cambodian army forces in the field have brought immediate *demands for* congressional investigation.

Twenty senators endorsed a letter by Sen. Alan Cranston asking for an inquiry by the Senate Armed Services Committee. Sen. Frank Church asked a "full and complete report" from Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Secretary of Defence James Schlesinger.

The demands were touched off by a story in Wednesday's "Washington Post" from Kampot, Cambodia, which said that United States Maj. Lawrence Ondecker was advising Cambodian forces on how to mount a counterattack against insurgents firing mortars around the government command post.

The *Cambodian government said* yesterday its forces cleared Khmer Rouge insurgents from route 38 along Phnom Penh's southern defence perimeter for the first time since December.

Government columns had fought for a month to dislodge a pocket of insurgents at the road's junction with highway 2, nine miles south of Phnom Penh. Reports said the remaining rebels pulled back to the south.

However, the Cambodian command said rebels occupied a strip of highway 1 at a point 23 miles southeast of Phnom Penh. This cut the road to the government naval base at Neak Puong, seven miles farther south.

New convention proposed for war dead

GENEVA (Reuter). — The U.S. yesterday proposed a new article for the *Geneva Conventions* to help provide information for relatives of those reported missing or killed in war.

The U.S. has been particularly concerned with this problem because of the number of its troops missing after the Vietnam War.

The new article, sponsored also by Britain and West Germany, would bind countries to keep records of foreigners captured or detained in a conflict, to mark identity and maintain graves, and to try to obtain information about the missing.

Introducing the article at a diplomatic conference here revising the 1949 Conventions on Armed Conflicts, U.S. Congressman Charles Wilson said it was intended to alleviate the anguish of families who did not know the fate of their relatives.

'36 journalists work for CIA'

ZURICH (Reuter). — The Inter-tional Press Institute (IPI) yest-day described as "appalling" a pr report that more than 36 journal were on the payroll of the *Uni* States Central Intelligence Age (CIA).

IPI director Ernest Meyer s the report, published in the Wa-ington "Star-News," showed t some journalists were betray *their profession by serving as* ears and eyes of official intellige while still employed as newspap men.

Mr. Meyer, a Frenchman, critic-ed French government officials w he said, had played down the b *ging of the premises of the politi* weekly "Le Canard Enchainé."

"Everything is possible when country no longer respects the valu which are the justification for institutions," he said.

Mr. Meyer also questioned *moral authority of* British Natio Union of Journalists leaders w last year issued work-to-rule ord as part of a strike action, includi refusal to work overtime, to t less than a *full lunch hour or* deputise *for* anyone else.

"What moral credit can a journ ist have in the exercise of his p fession when he submits himself rules which might be *justified* an unskilled factory worker's un but which can hardly be accep as newsroom guidelines for a gro of professional men." he said.

PAPER BANNED

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (A — The Government of Argent *yesterday banned the leftist da* "El Mundo," saying it had brok the law forbidding the spreadi of guerrilla propaganda.

Vatican tries to stop leaks

VATICAN CITY (AP). — The V tican has ordered all its employe from Cardinals to doormen, not leak official church secrets to press or to other unauthorized p sons. It threatened violators w "sanctions commensurate with crime."

The Vatican's move, made pub yesterday, came in the form "instructions" — or a directive *signed by Secretary of State Je* Cardinal Villot and approved Pope Paul VI. It amounted to w Vatican sources said was the Va can's "official secrets act."

The directive placed under secr all deliberations of Vatican cong *gations*, as well as *documents* the Secretariat of State and Council for Public Affairs, which the Vatican's Foreign Ministry.

British cancel visit of warships to Greece

LONDON (AP). — Britain's new Labour government yesterday cancelled an informal goodwill visit by two Royal Navy warships to [illegible] *of Greece's ruling regime*, the Foreign Office said yesterday.

A Foreign Office spokesman said other Royal Naval visits to foreign countries also are being reviewed. He gave no details but the indication was that the Labour government will cancel naval visits to [illegible] *sidered by the British to be authori*tarian. These include Portugal, Spain, and South Africa.

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DAVID KRIVINE REPORTS ON THE STATE AND NATIONAL BUDGETS

Belt tightening in order as Yom Kippur War cost IL30b. in terms of budget

THE massive IL35b. financial programme tabled in the Knesset yesterday by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir is dominated by war costs. Explaining this to correspondents on Tuesday, Arnon Gafny, head of the Treasury's Budget Division, pointed out that the normal growth-rate in Government expenditure during the last decade under peaceful conditions would have been nine per cent a year, in real terms.

A study made by the Treasury reveals that in the various war periods big (irreversible) jolts forward took place. During the two-year spells bridging each of these periods, Budget expenditure soared as follows (again in real terms):

1955-57	(Sinai Campaign):	35 per cent
1966-68	(Six Day War)	40 per cent
1972-74	(October War)	50 per cent

The Yom Kippur War has cost the country IL30b. in Budget terms, spread over the two years 1973/74 and 1974/75 — or IL18b. more than the normal yearly Budget provision that would have been made for defence.

The following measures were taken to mobilise finance:

	ILm.'s
War Loan	3,000
New taxes	1,800
Price hikes and reduced subsidies	1,500
Aid from abroad ($1,647m.)	8,900
	15,300

This sum is still short of the IL18,000m. needed, which makes it necessary to tighten our belts further, according to Gafny.

The defence allocation of IL14.5b. amounts to 42 per cent of the whole Budget, and 30 per cent of Israel's Gross National Product. The Government is managing to cover all its expenditures, civil and military, without "printing money," that is, without borrowing funds from the Bank of Israel. Nevertheless, if only the local currency side is considered, the accounts will be in deficit to the sum of IL1,653m.

This is covered by a surplus of dollar income over dollar expenditure (we are talking of the Government's accounts, not the national accounts). The surplus comes to IL1,583m. — which duly keeps the balance-sheet in order. Yet there still remains an excess of Government expenditure inside the country, over and above the funds withdrawn by tax and loan. (This local currency deficit is greater in the present war year 1973/74. It amounts to IL2,636m., matched by an inflow of IL2,597m. from abroad.)

Inflationary bottlenecks could threaten certain areas of the economy again) by the needs of the defence sector. The military Budget would have been bigger than IL14.5b. except that it came up against the limits of the capacity of Israel's industry to supply the vast increase in orders mooted.

The building work — residential, commercial and defence — generated through the Budget is also substantial, exceeding IL5,000m. A committee has been appointed, representing the Defence and Housing Ministries, the Public Works Department and the Treasury, to control the issue of tenders, so that building work is spread evenly over the coming 12 months.

The outlay on social services by the Government, together with the Jewish Agency and the National Insurance Institute, will be IL11,000m. Biggest single item is income support — family allowances, pensions, social welfare grants, invalid benefits, graded school fees, payments to unemployed persons, etc. They amount to IL3,100m., accounting for 27.4 per cent of the outlay.

The Treasury's Budget document draws attention to the fact that old-age pensions (plus the supplementary benefit) have improved from IL143.60 in 1969 (for two people) to IL403.40 — an increase of 180 per cent. The children's allowance, stepped up to compensate families for higher living costs, has swelled from IL78.75 (for six children in 1939) to IL473 — an increase of 500 per cent. (The cost-of-living index rose during the same period by 86.5 per cent.)

Over IL2,900m. will be invested in housing. There is a slowdown in building starts, because the stock of units under construction has grown rapidly in recent years, as follows:

1969	41,240
1970	56,390
1971	69,540
1972	88,280
1973	92,060

In order to supply 45,000-48,000 new flats a year, which is the level needed, a reserve of 72,000 units under construction would be sufficient, while 92,060 is considered too much.

The Housing Ministry, for its part, sponsored 31,340 beginnings of construction (in the public housing programme) last year, and the figure will decline to 26,020 in 1974. Mr. Gafny observed that the original plan was to make the same number of starts as in 1973. But IL150m. was "frozen," as part of the IL400m. reserve of projects in the Development Budget, which will only be activated if there is no inflation, and if the need arises.

Investment predicted for industry during the year is IL1,920m., of which IL775m. will be own capital. The Government is supplying IL125m. of grants (for projects in the development areas) and IL70m. of loans, out of a total allocation for industry in the Development Budget of IL297m. The rest will be invested in industrial finance institutions, the construction of industrial estates, the supply of working capital, and development.

A IL600m. development plan is under way for the six companies that exploit and process mineral resources in the Negev — mainly potash, phosphate, bromine and copper. So far IL114m. was spent, and another IL190m. is provided for 1974/75.

Thus the Dead Sea Works produced 968,000 tons of potash in 1972, 880,000 tons last year, and plans 1.2m. tons in 1974 — based on an investment (financed out of own means) totalling IL65m.

Phosphate prices rose during 1973 from $15 to $40 a ton, an aspect of the world rise in primary-material prices that redounds, this time, to Israel's benefit. Sales by Negev Phosphates came to IL70m. in 1973, yielding IL5m. of profit. Expected sales in the year ahead are IL228m., and the profit: IL100m.

Shortage of surface transport during the war gave a spurt to the development of Israel Railways, which will invest IL60m., as against IL14m. in 1973 and a similar sum the year before. The system is planned to haul 75,000 containers in 1974/75, which will necessitate 185 extra waggons. Eighty-five old waggons will be converted, and 100 new ones purchased. Thirty new freight-cars will be bought to carry grain, and 15 to carry oil. Planning work will start on a 40-km. extension of the railway line, from its present terminus at Oron to Ein Hatzeva — a further step in the link with Eilat.

Development plans spread over every aspect of the national life. Investments in medical institutions are up by 60 per cent — mainly because building work was already started and the pace thus set by decisions taken in previous years. Under construction are the Sheba Health Centre in Tel Ha'Shomer; the Wolfson Hospital in Tel Gibborim; the Eisenberg Hospital in Jaffa; the Ichilov Health Centre in Tel Aviv; a hospital in Hadera; psychiatric hospitals in Beersheba and Tira; and extensions to Rambam in Haifa and Sieff in Safad.

Agricultural plans include a three-year IL300m. development project (1974-76) based on a $30m. loan from the World Bank. Switching from farmers to air travellers, we find that the passenger terminal at the Ben-Gurion Airport in Lod will be enlarged in area by half, with the number of exit gates up from seven to 11.

Tourists landing in Israel leave Lod by road. The Nahal Ayalon throughway project in Tel Aviv is concentrating on the 7.5 km. stretch from Derech Petach-Tikva to the Tel Aviv-Lod-Jerusalem motor road. It will be four lanes wide in the first stage, with room for expansion to eight lanes later. Investment in 1974/75: IL35m.

The Communications Ministry will invest IL468m. in 1974/75, of which IL428m. is devoted to the improvement and expansion of the telephone network. Altogether 55,000 new lines will be added, as compared with [illegible] ... ministry points out that the waiting-list contains no less than 120,000 applicants.

A briefing on the State's debts was given to newsmen by Mr. Neri Bar-Hava, of the Accountant-General's department. They will total IL41.5b. on March 31. Of this sum, IL25.5b. is internal debt, and IL16b. foreign debt.

Prices up 13 % in 3 months, more funds for social services

Output will increase by seven per cent in 1974, private consumption by 4 per cent (but only half a per cent per person), and exports by one per cent, while investment will decline by two per cent (in real terms), according to the National Budget, released yesterday.

The balance of output is to be consumed by the defence sector, which will use up one-fifth of total resources during the year (as against 13.5 per cent in the last pre-war year, 1972). Total resources will come to IL826b. of which 60 per cent is GNP (IL50b.), and the rest imports.

Wages are expected to go up as fast as prices, thanks to the cost-of-living allowance which will rise by 14 per cent in July. No increase in wage rates beyond that is expected. Private consumption will be 4.5 per cent lower per person than in the first nine months of 1973.

Prices rose by 13 per cent in the first quarter of the current year, and should rise from now on by not more than one per cent a month, according to Ephraim Dovrat, Economic Adviser to the Treasury, one of the authors of the report.

Investments will be 16 per cent lower than during the pre-war period, but will gradually recover later in the year, and by the last quarter should be back at the pre-war level. The decline is caused in part by a decrease in the purchase of ships and aircraft (down from the high figure of IL920m. to IL410m.) and also by a fall of one-tenth in house construction. Building starts numbered 54,850 last year and should be down to 45,000 this year. Industrial investment will also wilt slightly, by three per cent, after a decline of 4.5 per cent in 1973. The main increase in investment will be in the public sector (social services and infra-structure).

As stated above, exports are due to rise hardly at all in real terms. Nor will imports change substantially (even falling by two per cent), despite bigger defence purchases. Yet the trade deficit will yawn much wider all the same.

The explanation is price inflation. Imports will cost 26 per cent more this year, or an extra $1,350m. Export prices will also benefit, but only by 15 per cent on the average, gaining an extra $450m. So the net loss due to worsened terms of trade is $900m. Were it not for this price change, and if the increased defence imports could be ignored also (they are up by $230m. to $1,800m.), the trade gap would be not bigger — but smaller by $300m., the report says.

As it is, imports will cost the country an epoch-making $6,600m. (including purchases from the administered areas, notably oil from Abu Rodeis). Exports will total $3,300m., leaving a deficit of $3,300m.

Israel has always suffered a trade deficit, and it has always been bridged more or less successfully by capital imports. But these will not be as great now as during the dramatic war year. The UJA and other donations are expected to decline from a record $680m. in 1973 to $420m., while Bond sales will sag from $500m. to the still respectable $400m.

There is also an outflow of capital, mainly payments to service the nation's foreign debt. In 1974 this transfer will amount (principal and interest) to $790m., or 40 per cent of net earnings from exports (gross exports minus the import component). Net capital inflow will therefore total $2,433m., as against $3,266m. last year.

Last year's capital receipts were in excess of the trade deficit to the sum of $790m., which raised the nation's foreign exchange reserves substantially. This year the capital inflow will fail to bridge the huge $3,280m. trade deficit — by $850m.

As a result, the foreign exchange reserves, which came to $1,700m. at the end of 1973, will tumble to half by next December, the report foresees. And the foreign debt will swell from $5,000m. to $5,650m., which comes to $1,660 per head of the population.

SAPIR SPEECH IN KNESSET

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though not a severe one — in living standards. Mr. Sapir recalled that private consumption rose at an annual rate of 10 per cent per capita in the first nine months of 1973, and national income per person reached IL9,200 a year. At the same time we must strive for a fair sharing of the burden, and should expect a greater sacrifice from those with means than from the low-income sectors.

Mr. Sapir devoted part of his address to education. He stated that higher education had taken the lion's share of resources in recent years. Under way at the universities are construction projects to the sum of IL1,000m. In the present Budget, the proportion of funds devoted to primary and post-primary schooling is increased to correct the imbalance.

A big drive is being made to expand crèches, and kindergarten facilities for tots aged 3 and 4. Thirty new schools will be completed in 1974, apart from expansions. And the extension of compulsory free education to the 10th grade (15-year-olds) embraced 30 per cent of the age-group this year, but will comprise 55 per cent next year.

Paying tribute to soldiers who had fallen, Mr. Sapir recalled the aid planned for the more fortunate ones who face a return to civilian life. They will get a year's free education at school or university, an extra 15 per cent loan for a home, and a cut of 50 per cent in any mortgage payments they have to make during their first year after release.

Taxes and compulsory loans covered 65 per cent of the Budget before October. When the war broke out, they were increased, but expenditure increased faster, so that fiscal revenue financed only 47 per cent of expenses. This year the proportion will rise again to 55 per cent.

Yet the burden of income tax has been eased again. Another 20,000 low-income earners have been eased off the tax roll, in addition to the 50,000 removed in 1973. A married man with two children will not pay tax if he earns less than IL792 a month. If he has four children, the tax threshold is IL1,050.

Mr. Sapir warned of hard times to come and the need for wage restraint. A salary explosion could price Israeli workers out of employment, he said. The Minister made it clear that he will apply the Added Value Tax if necessary — to make sure that private consumption does not increase beyond the resources available.

Nevertheless he sees no likelihood of an economic recession, and closed on an optimistic note. A four-year projection is under preparation in the Treasury's Economic Planning Authority. Mr. Sapir looked ahead to the tasks it adumbrates. During the next four years, he said, 250,000 immigrants will come. 250,000 flats will be built (only a quarter of them for newcomers), 250,000 telephones installed. New power stations will be up in Ashdod and Hadera, with plans completed for Israel's first nuclear generating plant.

Cement output will be close to four million tons a year, Israel's ports will be equipped to handle 16m. tons of cargo, there will be 100 new industrial enterprises in the kibbutzim, and IL1.5b. will be invested in oil refining and petrochemicals. The motor vehicle industry will develop, with a start made at manufacturing car engines. Broad arterial roads will run to Jerusalem, Beersheba and Safed. The Nahal Ayalon throughway intersecting Tel Aviv will be completed.

He concluded:

"A sensible wage and labour relations policy will help us to attract capital. And the growth of our economy in the future depends on the pace of investment."

Although no new taxes introduced
30% REVENUE JUMP EXPECTED

There are no new taxes in the 1974/75 Budget (though municipal rates will go up), yet fiscal revenue is predicted to increase by 30 per cent, and will top IL20b. Chief cause of the rise — apart from [illegible] the War Loan and the compulsory taxes introduced after the October war broke out.

Since the War Loan is to be extended to the end of the coming Budgetary Year the working public will not be able to enjoy fully the undoubted benefit accruing from a third successive annual cut in income-tax rates. Moshe Neudorfer, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, pointed out to newsmen (during a briefing on the Budget last Tuesday) that the average income today is IL1,300 a month. In March of last year, the tax on that, for a married man with two children, came to IL133. At present it is down to IL123.10. As from April 1, it will be (if the Knesset approves) only IL108.10.

A person making IL2,000 a month — which is 50 per cent above the national average — will pay IL334.50 in tax, or 16.5 per cent of his earnings. "This is not excessive by international standards," Neudorfer stressed.

Yet a higher proportion of Israel's national income finds its way to the Revenue Office than in other countries. The projected takings of IL20.4b. during the coming fiscal year equal 54.8 per cent of the national income. Comparable figures are 44 per cent in Britain and France, 43 per cent in West Germany, 38 per cent in the U.S. and 31 per cent in Switzerland.

The reason for this disparity is that indirect taxes in Israel are higher than abroad. There are also the compulsory loans. And Israel carries a big import surplus — which generates taxes, though it is not reckoned as part of the national income.

The much talked-of Added Value Tax does not appear in the Estimates; though this does not mean it may not be introduced during the year. The necessary Bill has already been prepared.

As to municipal rates, the local authorities will have an income of IL2,486m. in 1974/75, which falls IL439m. short of their proposed expenditure. The gap can be bridged in part by cutting outlays to the tune of IL100m. or IL150m. The rest can only be made up through higher local taxation. As their direct income is IL918m. (the rest coming from the Government) the municipalities will need to hoist their levies by about 30 per cent, Treasury men say.

Other taxes are frozen — yet revenue booms. Mr. Neudorfer explains that tax returns are currently coming in from business firms for the years 1972 (delayed owing to the October war) and 1973 — "and these were good years," he declares. Estimates for 1974 have been revised since the early pessimistic forecasts made during the war period. "The economy is recovering, output is going up, tourism is back to the pre-war level," he says.

An examination of the tax tables reveals that tax rates have actually been revised upwards on lower incomes. But less cash is paid to the taxman, all the same, not only because the Defence Loan is cancelled, but also because the personal deductions are increased. They are up, for the breadwinner himself, from IL3,540 to IL3,720; for his wife from IL1,260 to IL1,320; and for his first two children from IL1,200 each to the same IL1,320.

As regards other children, the exemption has been IL1,320 each, and remains at that figure.

Foreign residents in Israel get no personal deductions on locally-earned incomes, but are charged a flat rate of 25 per cent on receipts of up to IL6,000 a year (after which they pay the normal rates). This flat rate will be lifted to 30 per cent. Single persons will pay more if they receive big incomes. Those whose tax exceeds 50 per cent will pay an extra 3 per cent, while the new marginal tax of 63 per cent will be (for them) 65 per cent.

Company tax is increased to make up for the cancelled Defence Loan. At present (for enterprises not registered on the stock exchange), the levy is made up as follows: 38 per cent corporation tax, 7 per cent Defence Loan, and 25 per cent income tax, making a total of 60.5 per cent. Henceforth the formula will be 42 per cent corporation tax and (on the rest) 30 per cent income tax, making a slightly lower total of 59.4 per cent.

If profits are distributed, then the recipient of dividends who finds himself in the 65 per cent tax bracket has been paying to date an extra 24.8 per cent, which means that out of every hundred pounds of profits, IL85.30 went in tax. Under the new provision, the highest levy payable on dividends is 50 per cent. Therefore only IL71 of the hundred pounds will be taxed away.

Industrial firms which plough their profits back into the business have been favourably treated. After paying 38 per cent corporation tax and 7 per cent Defence Loan, they were charged 10 per cent income tax; so 51.2 per cent in all was seized by the Treasury (instead of 60.5 per cent).

Since the Defence Loan is abolished, corporation tax will be up (as stated above) to 42 per cent, and income tax will be increased from 10 to 15 per cent — making a total of 50.7 per cent (as against 59.4 per cent for a non-industrial undertaking).

What about the reforms scheduled in the system of overblown tax-free allowances? According to Neudorfer, they deprive the State of revenue to the sum of IL600m. a year.

Some prerequisites will remain unchanged for the present. Productivity premiums will still be charged 27 per cent, and overtime pay 34.5 per cent (both including 7 per cent War Loan). The yearly holiday allowance, the field-work allowance and the Arava allowance (for Eilat and other Negev locations) will continue to be tax-exempt, but on condition that the Knesset sees fit to embody them in the law, Neudorfer stated.

A number of benefits will be given further study with a view to future action (though not in the Budget). They include payments in kind (electricity at a nominal tariff for employees of the Israel Electricity Company, periodical free trips abroad for airline employees, etc.); fellowship funds (which often finance journeys overseas that have little to do with study); phone allowances; and monthly insurance benefits, like old-age pensions (which are in practice tax-free, though they should be taxed for persons with other income).

There remain three subjects which are being tackled straightaway. Work-accident pay will be made taxable, as sickness pay already is — since victims otherwise find it profitable to prolong an accident disability as long as possible. Secondly, the professional literature allowance will be halved in this coming year, and abolished altogether the year after. The tax-free ceiling figure today is IL335 per annum; it will be IL170 as from next month — and zero on April 1, 1975.

The third decision concerns motor-vehicle allowances. A public committee will be appointed to determine which branches and which occupations really require a car for their work. All recipients of the allowance who do not figure in the committee's recommended list will cease to get tax exemption. The privilege will be run down over a four-year period, with one-quarter of the allowance becoming taxable each year.

Recently Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, had expressed the view that the self-employed should be charged more because they pay tax not in the current year (as do the wage-earners), but the year after — and sometimes later still. Questioned about this, Neudorfer said: "We have corrected the inequality in two ways. First, the monthly advance payments (a kind of pay-as-you earn system for the self-employed) will be increased to 130 per cent of the tax actually paid in 1972, or 150 per cent of the last assessment if it was before 1972. In the case of limited companies, the figures will be 135 and 155 per cent respectively.

Secondly, any delays in payment are now charged 15 per cent per annum "interest." He added that the system of deducting tax at source from the earnings of business firms, which first applied to business contractors, is being extended to embrace enterprises in the fields of electrical goods, electronics, metals, transport, textiles and clothing.

THE BUDGET IN FIGURES

Where the funds will come from

REVENUE (In millions of IL)

TOTAL REVENUE	Estimate for 1974/75 35,350	Estimate for 1973/74 32,340	Actual Revenue 1972/73 18,609
ORDINARY REVENUE	27,630	26,859	11,574
Revenue from loans and capital accounts	7,720	5,481	7,034
Ordinary revenue	27,630	26,859	11,574
Taxes and fees	20,400	15,750	10,666
Income & property tax	7,724	5,354	3,984
Income tax & defence levy	7,116	4,916	3,583
Property betterment tax	140	88	66
Property tax	413	320	232
Customs & surcharges	5,860	4,629	2,581
Purchase tax	2,517	1,768	1,248
Excise tax	635	424	282
Oil tax	710	610	492
Travel tax	130	94	82
Revenue stamp tax	400	300	227
Entertainment tax	5	3	2
Finance stamp	300	225	170
Vehicle licences	86	66	56
Other licences and fees	271	185	161
Compulsory loans & Arnona	1,746	1,919	1,342
Savings loan	440	630	597
Finance loan	161	319	641
Arnona fund	80	70	102
Transferred revenues	675	518	363
Interest & profits	669	623	685
Interest from loans	320	360	466
Interest from Government companies	22	22	21
Profits of Bank of Israel	70	70	64
Penalties	237	131	99
Miscellaneous revenues	110	70	105
Revenue from loans and capital accounts	7,720	5,481	7,034
Income from Government investments and loans	1,502	1,624	653
Revenue on a/c of participation investment in communications	310	92	42
Revenues from State Lands administration	26	29	66
Receipts on a/c pensions and compensations	103	77	59
National Insurance Institute Loan	600	550	792
World bank loans	4,300	3,600	2,176
Foreign food surpluses	210	210	182
Foreign loans	6,678	8,675	2,917
Non-recurring items	—	—	252

And how they will be spent

EXPENDITURE (In millions of IL)

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	Budget for 1974/75 35,350	Budget for 1973/74 32,340	Budget for 1972/73 18,138
ORDINARY EXPENDITURE	27,630	26,859	13,153
Development and capital expenditure	7,720	5,481	4,985
Ordinary expenditure	27,630	26,859	13,153
Administrative services	1,286	963	960
Presidency	1	1	1
Knesset	18	13	14
Cabinet Ministers	1	1	.776
Prime Minister's Office	49	34	40
Finance Ministry	193	166	135
Interior Ministry	52	39	27
Police Ministry	378	264	215
Justice Ministry	71	62	41
Foreign Affairs Ministry	201	142	124
State Comptroller			
Retirement and compensation funds	24	16	12
Miscellaneous expenditure	250	154	127
Defence Ministry	30	25	215
Local authorities	14,425	16,335	5,889
Transferred expenditure to local authorities	946	803	568
Grants to local authorities	675	518	363
Social services	271	285	204
Min. of Education and Culture	4,610	3,845	2,495
Participation in Broadcasting Authority	2,016	1,308	1,095
Religious Affairs Ministry	4	3	5
Labour Ministry	56	38	37
Health Ministry	120	90	78
Disability compensations	699	489	358
Social Welfare Ministry	175	132	72
National Insurance Institute	370	173	126
Housing Ministry	225	240	135
Absorption Ministry	65	52	15
Price subsidies	50	20	27
	825	1,096	489
Economic Services	2,127	1,671	1,291
Agriculture Ministry	112	106	95
Development Ministry	46	33	12
Atomic Energy Commission	72	59	56
Commerce & Industry Ministry	162	135	97
Tourism Ministry	47	37	30
Export incentives	1,500	1,190	856
Transport Ministry	58	49	39
Participation in Railways budget	32	24	26
Contribution and rebates for transport	35	24	36
Public Works Dept. and land surveys	61	58	40
Interest payments	2,783	2,062	1,774
Reserves	1,247	1,120	173
Special budgets	1,000	1,008	173
Development & Capital expenditure	7,720	5,481	4,985
Development expenditure	4,032	2,695	2,480
Administrative Services	28	39	19
Government buildings	7	15	5
Police and prisons	19	21	12
Courts	2	2	1
Local authorities	60	74	54
Social services	2,476	1,371	1,250
Education	237	70	111
Higher education	112	100	96
Religious	5	4	5
Employment and vocational training	32	19	14
Health	221	110	67
Social welfare	63	31	17
Housing	1,805	1,036	937
Economic sector	1,457	1,210	1,157
Agriculture	145	85	96
Waterworks	123	60	48
Quarries, mines and electricity	29	25	47
Oil lines and drilling	37	10	65
Manufacturing	297	370	304
Tourism	36	40	21
Transport	180	151	34
Roads	122	103	100
Communications	468	330	307
Miscellaneous investments in enterprises			
Debt repayments	40	35	31
Budgetary spending fund	3,129	2,645	2,087
Reserve for development expenditure	50	40	165
Non-recurring items	108	100	—
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UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA

ANNOUNCES

Registration for the study year, 1974/75,

will end on Sunday, March 31, 1974

Courses of Study Leading to the B.A. Degree:

In Humanities

In the School of Education (including the A. Biram Department of Teacher Training and the School of Education of the Kibbutz Movement, "Oranim").

In Social Sciences (including Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Studies).

The Jezreel College, "Ohel Sarah."

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Library Science, Hotel Management.

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Religious Services

...egins:
In Jerusalem 5.00 p.m.
In Tel Aviv 5.27 p.m.
In Haifa 5.19 p.m.

In Jerusalem 6.22 p.m.
In Tel Aviv 6.25 p.m.
In Haifa 6.24 p.m.

Vayak'hel
Ezekiel 45:16 — 46:18 (45:18-46:15).

JERUSALEM

...n Synagogue: Today: Minha, 5.20 p.m. Shabbat. 5.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, Minha Gdola, 12.45 p.m. Minha, 5.20 p.m. ...p.m.

...aleme: Today: Minha, 5.30 p.m. Kabbalat 5.45 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.00 a.m. ...5 p.m. Arvit, 6.15 p.m.

...emuna (Rehov Narkiss 1): Tonight, 5.45 ...mon: Benyamin Zvielli. Tomorrow: ...15 a.m.

...nagogue (Rehov Hillel): Tonight, Minha. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

...Hakotel (Old City): Tonight: Minha, 5.30 ...tional march to Wall followed by Kab...bat, 5.50 p.m. Arvit (at Synagogue), 6.30 ...orrow: Shahrit, 6.30 a.m. Minha, 12.30

Lubavich Synagogue (Rehov Chabad, ...arter, Old City): Shahrit: 8.30 a.m. Kid...ring services.

...Synagogues-Bibas (Old City): Tonight: ...0 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.40 p.m. ...Sephardi Minyan, 7.30 a.m. Ashkenazi ...0 a.m. Minha, 5.15 p.m.

...eset Mercazi, Talbieh: (14 Rehov Hovevei ...ch): Tonight: 5.20 p.m. Minha, 1.00 p.m.

...Synagogue (Progressive Judaism) 16 ...muel Hanagid, near Bezalel Museum. ...1.00 p.m. Sermon: Rabbi A. Zaovi. ...9.30 a.m.

...heological Seminary of America (Neve ...behind Israel Museum): Tonight: 5.30. ...rrow: Shahrit: 8.30 a.m.

...Hevrakhi Derech: (14 Rehov Ibn Gvirol). ...rvices: 9.00 a.m.

...uncil of Synagogues (Conservative) at ...agogue of America Centre (Rehov Agron ...Kabbalat Shabbat 5.40 p.m. Tomorrow: ...ermon: Rabbi Joshua Stampfer.

...rael (28 Rehov Ben-Tsion, Givat Shaul). ...0 p.m. Shahrit, 5.30 a.m. Shiur Halahat ...35 p.m.

...rael (Rehov Bar-Yohai 47, Katamon). ...30 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

...rael (Block 107, Sanhedria Murhevet). ...30 p.m. Tomorrow: 5.00 a.m.

...rael (Rehov Hapisgah, Bayit Vegan). ...0 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

...Union College (Rehov David Hamelech ...ay: 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

...al Synagogue, (110 Allenby Road). ...Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

...vat Zion (86 Rehov Ben Yehuda). ...inha, 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.30 ...Minha 5.25 p.m.

...Zion (Beit Hamore, Rehov Nathan ...Tonight: Minha, 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: ...0 a.m. Minha, 5.25 p.m.

...nesset Geulat Yisrael (Rehov Mercaz ...acha 16). Tonight: 6.00 p.m. Tomorrow: ...0 a.m.

...inai (Conservative, B'nai Brit House, 10 ...plan, corner Hameasfim). Tomorrow: ...0 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: Rabbi Davis

...Synagogue (Progressive Judaism, 20 ...lebach): Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: ...ermon: Rabbi Moshe Zemer.

...Ramat Aviv (Progressive Judaism, Tel ...rsity, Jacob-Eiter Hall, Peretz Naphtali ...night, 5.30 p.m. Sermon: Bruria Barish.

RAMAT GAN

...iya Synagogue: Tonight: 5.40 p.m., ...Shahrit, 7.45 a.m. Parashat Hashavua: ...Minha 5.30 p.m. Gemara Lesson, Mr.

...Ve'anava Congregation (Progressive ...57 Derech Jabotinsky. Friday: 6 p.m. ...9.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi T. Ben-Shorin.

...knesset Ramat Hen (5 Rehov Ramat ...ay: Minha 5.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit,

KFAR SABA

...m Hahadash (Schechunat Eliezer). ...50 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.00 a.m.

PETAH TIKVA

...rael (Ramat Werber School Rehov ...Tonight: 5.37 p.m. Tomorrow: Talmud: ...rvices: 8.00 a.m.

KIRON

...rael (Rehov Shlomo Hamelech) Friday: ...aturday: 8.00 a.m.

KFAR SHMARYAHU

...nesset Hechal Habanim: Tonight: 5.30 ...rrow: 8.30 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Shmuel ...Cohen.

HERZLIYA

Young Israel (Hotel Hod, Rehov Hanassi). Tonight: 5.37 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.45 a.m.

NETANYA

Beth Yisrael (Conservative) (13 Rehov Rav Kook). Tonight: 5.15 p.m. Tomorrow: 9.00 a.m.

Netanya Progressive Congregation — (16 Rehov Smilansky). Tonight: 5.45 p.m.

New Synagogue (Wizo House McDonald St.) Friday: 5.20 p.m. Saturday: 8.30 a.m. Emanuel Forman, Rabbi, Study Group, 4.15 p.m.

HAIFA

Moriah Congregation (7 Rehov Horeb), Ahuza. Tonight: 5.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Charles Siegel.

Haifa Progressive Congregation Or Hadash (New Beit Rothschild, Sderot Hanassi, Mercaz Hacarmel). Friday: 5.30 p.m. Sdaturday: 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Morton Hoffman.

RISHON LEZION

Young Israel (34 Rehov Hanotrim). Tonight: 5.37 p.m. Tomorrow: 6.30 a.m.

REHOVOT

Adat Shalom Synagogue (Conservative) (B'nai Brit Hall, 133b Rehov Herzl). Tonight: 5.21 p.m. Tomorrow: 6.30 a.m. Sermons: Rabbi Meir Ydit.

ASHKELON

Kehilat Netzach Yisrael (Batsheva Gerbovoy Community Centre, Derech Ya'acov Chaham, corner Harel, Afridar). Tonight: Kabbalat Shabbat, 5.30 p.m. Saturday: Shahrit, 9.00 a.m. Sermon: Rabbi Pinhas Spectre.

BEERSHEBA

Young Israel (Shikun Beit). Tonight: 5.37 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit, 8.00 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES

St. George's Cathedral (Anglican, Nablus Road, Jerusalem) Sunday: Holy Communion 8.00 p.m. (English). Morning Worship (Arabic) 9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist Evensong and Sermon 6.00 p.m. Daily (Mon. to Sat.) Holy Communion 7.00 a.m. Evensong 6.00 p.m.

Baptist Congregation (Rehov Narkis, Jerusalem); Saturday Services. Bible Study: 9.45 a.m. Worship 11.00 a.m.

Church of Christ (across street from Rockefeller Museum). Bible Classes: 10.00 a.m. Worship: 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Classes. 6.00 p.m.

Lutheran Church (Muristan Rd., Old City, Jerusalem). (Sunday, 9.00 a.m. Arabic, Church of the Redeemer, 9.00 a.m. English, Crusader's Chapel, 10.10 a.m. German, Church of the Redeemer. A Prayer for Peace (in 3 languages) 4.00 p.m. every Wednesday in Church of the Redeemer. Morning Prayer: 8.10-8.40 a.m. Every Thursday in Crusader's Church.

Church of Scotland (Presbyterian, near Railway Station), Jerusalem. Tel. 84325. Sunday Morning Service, 10.00 a.m.

"Shalhevetyah" — Finnish School (Lutheran) (25 Rehov Shivtei Israel). Saturday 10.30 a.m. Service in Hebrew: Sunday 7.30 p.m. Bible Study in Hebrew.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon Church) meets each Saturday. 9.30 a.m. in City Hotel. East Jerusalem. For information, call 02-282472, or 02-281085.

Church of God, Mount of Olives near Palace Hotel. Tel. 284436. Services in English/German/Arabic. Sunday Worship 10.00 a.m. Thursday Prayer 6.00 p.m.

International Evangelican Church (55 Street of the Prophets, Jerusalem). Sunday: Worship: 9.00 a.m. Evening Fellowship, 7.30 p.m., Wednesday: Bible Study, 7.30 p.m.

International Church of the Nazarene Center (33 Nablus Road, by the Y.M.C.A. East Jerusalem). Special English Services. Sunday 11.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m.

House of Prayer (19/90 Rehov Ein-Rogel, Abu Tor). Sabbath Services — prayer and worship: 10.30 a.m.

Association for Unification of World Christianity meets each Saturday and Sunday at 9.00 a.m. Interested people write to P.O.B. 14015, Jerusalem.

Seventh-Day Adventist Congregation Services in Hebrew, English and German: (Advent House, 4 Lincoln St. Jerusalem) Saturday, 9.30 a.m. Bible Study, 10.30 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, 5.30 p.m. Prayer meeting. Services in Arabic (in front of Dar-Al-Awlad School, East Jerusalem) Saturday, 9.30 a.m. Bible Study. 10.30 a.m. Worship.

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Rehov Eilat behind Old Law Court, Tel Aviv). Saturday: 11.00 a.m.

Evangelical Episcopal (Anglican) Church (Jaffa, Beer Hoffman Street, off Rehov Eilat): Sunday: Evening Service, 6.00 p.m. Tuesday: Bible Study (Tel. 821459).

Herzliya (Tel. 938856). Sunday, 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. Family Service.

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SATURDAY:

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ISRAEL GENERAL BANK LIMITED

בנק כללי לישראל
ISRAEL GENERAL BANK

מאזן ליום 31 בדצמבר 1972

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1973

	IL	IL	31.12.72* IL
CAPITAL, RESERVES AND SURPLUS			
Issued and paid share capital	4,500,000		4,500,000
Capital reserve—premium on shares	794,350		794,350
Surplus	3,669,587		3,156,452
		8,963,937	7,450,802
CAPITAL NOTES—CONVERTIBLE INTO SHARES		4,500,000	—
		13,463,937	7,450,802
DEPOSITS			
Demand deposits	42,529,427		30,110,041
Time deposits	132,581,559		104,720,753
Deposits and loans from Bank of Israel and from banking institutions	36,926,318		9,750,978
		212,037,304	144,581,772
FUNDS FOR THE GRANTING OF LOANS			
Government deposits	3,183,800		2,049,697
Deposits and loans from Bank of Israel and from banking institutions	29,093,693		23,456,798
Other deposits	28,616,510		26,209,200
		60,894,003	51,715,695
OTHER ACCOUNTS (INCLUDING INNER RESERVE AND PROVISIONS)		6,118,698	3,802,998
LIABILITIES ON ACCOUNT OF CUSTOMERS (see contra)			
Documentary credits	59,511,638		18,257,848
Guarantees and other liabilities	46,764,693		35,912,420
Acceptances	—		7,229,662
		106,276,331	61,399,930
		398,790,273	268,951,197

* Reclassified.

	IL	IL	31.12.72* IL
CASH IN HAND AND BALANCES WITH BANK OF ISRAEL AND BANKING INSTITUTIONS		136,907,551	88,346,470
TREASURY BILLS		421,014	1,630,870
SECURITIES			
Debentures of the Israel Government	4,179,841		2,510,128
Shares in subsidiary companies	2,500		2,500
LOANS AND BILLS DISCOUNTED		4,182,341	2,512,628
less provision for doubtful debts			
Loans and bills discounted	86,615,000		61,195,664
Loans out of funds for the granting of loans	60,960,614		51,817,783
		147,575,614	113,013,447
OTHER ACCOUNTS		1,625,780	361,637
SHARE IN JOINTLY OWNED BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND OTHER PROPERTY		1,801,642	1,686,215
LIABILITIES OF CUSTOMERS (see contra)			
For documentary credits	59,511,638		18,257,848
For guarantees and other liabilities	46,764,693		35,912,420
For acceptances	—		7,229,662
		106,276,331	61,399,930
		398,790,273	268,951,197

The notes accompanying the financial statements form an integral part thereof

Baron Edmond De Rothschild, Chairman of the Board — David Shoham, Managing Director

Translation from Hebrew

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1973

	IL	year IL
OPERATING INCOME		
Interest		
On loans and bills discounted	13,768,975	9,214,303
On deposits with Bank of Israel and banking institutions	10,635,878	4,812,524
From obligations approved for investment (including linkage increments)	640,126	320,120
Other income from securities	118,454	239,823
Commission and other income	7,177,047	3,979,967
	32,340,480	18,566,737
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Interest on deposits and loans	17,470,234	10,033,387
Interest on capital notes	243,000	—
Commissions	595,510	230,032
Provision for loan losses, net	608,991	309,883
Salaries and related expenses	3,880,318	2,393,808
Occupancy of bank premises	488,015	367,903
Depreciation of bank premises equipment and other property (including write off of leasehold rights)	245,028	192,942
Other expenses	2,421,249	1,319,860
	25,952,345	14,747,815
Operating profit, before taxes on income	6,388,135	3,818,922
PROVISION FOR TAXES ON INCOME	3,600,000	2,050,000
Net profit	2,788,135	1,768,922

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1973

	IL	1972 IL
Surplus at the beginning of year	3,156,452	1,147,530
Net profit for the year	2,788,135	1,768,922
	4,944,587	2,916,452
Transfer to inner reserve	600,000	400,000
Cash dividends, gross	675,000	360,000
	1,275,000	760,000
Surplus at end of year	3,669,587	2,156,452

An amount of IL.1,500,000 was appropriated during the year to general reserve, the balance of which at the end of the year totalled IL.3,500,000.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1973

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with "Instructions regarding preparation of financial statements of a commercial bank", issued by the Examiner of [illegible] accordingly.

The changes mainly affect the classification of accrued interest and linkage increments, previously included in "other accounts". These are now included together with the specific assets and liabilities to which they relate.

(b) Exchange rates

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are included at the official rates of exchange ruling on balance sheet date.

(c) Securities

(I) Treasury bills have been taken at cost plus interest accrued.

(II) Debentures approved for investment have been taken at cost plus linkage increments and interest accrued. These debentures, the redemption dates of which mostly exceed five years, are held for investment purposes and not for trading. They will be redeemed at their par value together with linkage increments and interest. Fluctuations in the market value of these debentures do not affect the result of operations of the Bank, as the method of accruing linkage increments and interest over the years in which these debentures are held, ensures that their value upon redemption will be identical with their book value on that date.

(d) Share in a jointly owned building, equipment and other property

These are included at cost less accumulated depreciation and write offs.

(e) Severance pay

The provision for severance pay, which is included in the liabilities under "Other Accounts", together with managers' insurance cover fully the Bank's commitments for the payment of severence indemnities to its employees.

Amounts covering these commitments which are held in respect thereof with a severence indemnities fund administered by the Bank, are included in the assets under "Other Accounts".

(f) Services Tax

Services tax payable under the Services Tax Law Banking Institutions and Insurance Companies)—1973 as included in the Statement of Profit and Loss as follows:—

That part of the tax which is based on income—under "Provision for Taxes on Income."

That part of the tax which is based on salaries—under "Other Expenses".

ECURITIES

hese comprise:

	31st December 1973 Amount in balance sheet IL	31st December 1973 Market value IL	31st December 1972 Amount in balance sheet IL	31st December 1972 Market value IL
tures of the Israel Government oved for investment	902,995	835,920	1,202,197	1,162,182
ted	3,276,846	—	1,307,931	—
	4,179,841		2,610,128	
ount in the balance sheet includes e increments and interest accrued in ount of IL. 811,642 (1972—IL. 659,449) n subsidiary companies, unquoted, t	2,500		2,500	

RE CAPITAL

	Authorized 31st December 1973 IL	Authorized 31st December 1972 IL	Issued and paid 31st December 1973 IL	Issued and paid 31st December 1972 IL
shares of IL.1 each	4,000,000	4,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
nary shares of IL. 10 each	6,000,000	3,600,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
	10,000,000	7,600,000	4,500,000	4,500,000

4. CAPITAL NOTES

10%* 1988—1997 Subordinated Capital Notes, not linked and convertible as from 1980 until 1988 into "A" Ordinary shares of IL. 10 each of the Bank at the rate of IL. 15** per share — IL. 4,500,000

* Under the terms of the issue, the Capital Notes will, after 1973, bear interest in excess of the above mentioned rate, if the dividend, which will be paid to the Bank's shareholders in respect of any one year, [illegible]

** Conversion rate is subject to adjustments according to the terms of the issue.

5. BANK OF ISRAEL

	31st December 1973 IL	31st December 1972 IL
Deposit in Israel currency with Bank of Israel in connection with funds for the financing of export—included under "Cash in hand and balances with Bank of Israel and Banking Institutions	6,898,844	8,062,55[illegible]
Amounts received from Bank of Israel in connection with funds for the financing of export—included under "Deposits and loans from Bank of Israel and from Banking Institutions for the granting of loans"	25,944,905	20,642,412
Other amounts received from Bank of Israel—included under "Deposits and loans from Bank of Israel and from Banking Institutions"	1,000,000	—

6. OTHER EXPENSES

These include an amount of IL. 95,000 (1972—nil) being that part of the services tax which is based on salaries.

7. TAXES ON INCOME

In computing the provision for taxes on income adjustments have been made in respect of the following:—

Dividend paid during the year

Expenses disallowed for tax purposes

Certain income from securities which is subject to a reduced rate of tax.

The provision for taxes on income includes an amount of IL. 250,000 (1972—nil) being services tax levied on income.

The Bank received income tax assessments for the years up to and including 1969.

8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are commitments and contingent liabilities in connection with—

(a) Forward contracts for the purchase and sale of foreign currencies on account of clients, covered by counter-transactions—IL. 25,853,313 (1972—IL. 12,117,016).

(b) Uncalled capital on shares in a subsidiary company—IL. 18,500 (1972—IL. 18,500).

(c) Guarantee by the Bank to members of a central severance indemnities fund, which is managed by the Bank, for the due repayment of the principal sums deposited by the members in the said fund. The value of the assets of the fund, at balance sheet date, is in excess of the amounts guaranteed by the Bank.

The fund managed by the Bank is the "Central Severance Indemnities Fund of Israel General Bank Limited". The amount of the members' savings—principal sums and profits accumulated thereon—according to the last audited balance sheet of the fund as at 31st December 1972 was IL. 3,076,116 (1971—IL. 1,473,361). The Fund has not invested in securities of the Bank or its subsidiaries.

9. PARENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANY

Balances relating to the parent and subsidiary companies are included in the balance sheet as follows:—

	31st December 1973 IL	31st December 1972 IL
Parent company		
Liabilities—Deposits	897,911	7,468,542
Subsidiary company		
Liabilities—Deposits	744,561	23,930

10. STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 107 (5) OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE

The subsidiary companies had neither profits nor losses.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ISRAEL GENERAL BANK LIMITED

[illegible] examined the balance sheet of Israel General Bank Limited as at 31st December [illegible] he Statement of Profit and Loss for the year then ended. Our examination was [illegible] cordance with generally accepted auditing standards, including those prescribed [illegible] Auditors Regulations (Auditors Mode of Performance)— 1973, and accordingly [illegible] plied such auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

[illegible] pinion, the above balance sheet and statement of profit and loss present fairly in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles the financial position of the Bank as at 31st December 1973 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Pursuant to Section 109 of the Companies Ordinance, we state that we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required and that our opinion on the balance sheet and statement of profit and loss is given according to the best of our information and the explanations received by us and as shown by the books of the Bank.

[illegible] February 1974

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Jerusalem Post Reporter

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The Natad dollar remained at IL4.99; an offer of $171,800 was picked up without forcing the price down, and the turnover was $116,000.

The general index rose by 1.11 per cent yesterday to stand at 248.06.

		14.3.74	13.3.74
[...]TURES [...] TO THE [...]			
[...] Sea Junior	r	247.3	246
[...]ric Corp A	r	128.7	128.4
[...]ric Corp B	r	160.1	150.5
[...] to the [...]DEX [...]al & Interest)			
[...]5, Index 110.1	6	—	308.5
[...]1966, Series 41	b	138.9	140
[...]1969, Series 41	b	257.1	258.6
[COMME]RCIAL BANKS HOLDING [...]IES			
[...]tyashvut	r	230	225
[...]ef.	r	212	205
[...]nkholding	r	175	169
[...]nk	r	270	269
[...]tish Bank	b	288	288
[...] Bank "A"	r	465	448
[...]izrahi Bank	b	169	166
[...]poalim — 10%	b	367	365
[...]umi "A"	r	275.5	272
[MORTGA]GE BANKS			
[...]tgage Bank	b	236	234
[...]ortg. & Inv.	b	138	130
[...]yan	b	217	216
[...]ortg. Bank	b	236.5	235
[...] Mortg. Bank	b	186	185
[...]%	b	240	240
	b	237.5	239
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[...]v. Bank 8%	r	71.5	71
[...] Insurance	b	196.5	194.5
[...]"C"	b	261.5	261.5
[...]CIAL [...]S & UTILITIES			
[...]mse	b	72	71
	r	156	152
[...]age—IL10	r	176	171.5
[...]ctric Corp.	r	62.5	61.5
[...]re & Supply	r	187	187
[B]UILDING [...]PMENT [...]BUS			
	r	180.5	180.5
[...]rael IL10	r	260	259
[...] Dev.	b	187.5	159

Solel Boneh — 10%	b	135	129
Property & Build.	r	177	173
Isras	b	141.5	141
Mehadrin	r	198	198
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	b	82.5	84
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	179.5	179.5
Neot Aviv	r	75	71.5
Pri Or Ltd.	r	164	164
Rassco—8%	r	82	80
Rassco—O.	r	62.5	61
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	470	466
Elco—2.5	b	97.5	97
Electra—5	r	180.5	178.5
"Argaman"—8%	b	288	288
"Ata"—C	r	108	105.5
Dubek	b	375	360
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	171	170
Teva	b	927	920
Chem. & Phosphates	r	79	78
Lewin Epstein	b	64	64
Molier Textile	r	160	160
Phoenicia—8%	b	88	90
Paper Mills	r	285.6	289
Assis "B"	r	204.5	201
Nechushtan	b	254	251
Shemen—8%	b	126	124.5
"Taal" Plywood	b	205	205
Elite (A)		—	—
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	84.5	79
Eliern	b	163	160
Israel Central Trade	r	197	188
Bank Hapoalim	b	227	227
Pax	b	93.5	92
Wolfson IL10	b	92	92
Ampa	r	111.5	109
Discount Bank	b	192.5	187.5
United Mizrahi	b	106	106
Bank Leumi	r	188	184.5
Piryon Investment	r	94	94
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	79.5	78
Export Bank	b	62	62
Clal Investment	r	180.5	179
Clal Industries	r	171	170
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	37.5	87.5
Lapidoth OTC	r	176	177

b-bearer; r-registered
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[WALL] STREET

Closing Thursday, March 14, 1974

Market settles down

[NEW] YORK (AP). — The stock [market] opened sharply higher but [then r]etreated from its advance [earl]y in the wake of reports [that th]e Arab oil embargo would [be lifted].

[Anal]ysts said the market, which [f]ocuses more on future pro[spects] than on current events, had [been a]nticipating an end to the [e]mbargo on oil shipments to [the U.]S. in its recent gains. In the [...] group of companies with [l]inks to oil supplies a number [of hot]el and restaurant chains and auto stocks were higher in active trading.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials closed down 1.88 at 889.78. The widely watched indicator had been up more than 8 points at its peak in the first hour of the session.

Adavancing issues, however, stayed ahead of declines, 747 to 648, among the 1,790 issues traded on the exchange.

Volume was an active total of 19.77m shares, reflecting primarily a surge of trading.

[...]e	13¼	Cont Can	25⅝	John Joh	21⅜	Rockwell Int	28⅜
[...]in	35⅝	Cont Oil	47	John Man	114⅝	Royl D	34⅝
[...]h	45	Cont Tel	18¼	Jon Lan	20⅝	Russ Tog	10⅜
[...]tr	21⅝	Cont Data	86⅝	Kais Alum	23⅝	Safeway	42⅞
[...]al	10⅝	Corning	85½	Kenn Cop	39½	Schering	74
	48⅛	CPC Intl	34⅜	Koppers	48⅞	Scott Pap	17⅜
[...]in	12⅞	Crane Co	19⅝	Libb O Fd	29⅝	Sears Roe	89
[...]st	27	Crown Cork	22¼	Liggt My	31⅜	Shell Oil	61⅛
[...]ur	28⅝	Crwn Zell	36⅝	Litton Ind	9⅞	Singer Co	37⅜
	24⅜	Dan River	[illegible]	Lockheed	5⅞	Smith KF	51
	41½	Deere Co	45⅝	LTV Corp	10⅞	[illegible]	[illegible]
	46⅞	Dist Seag	46	Macy RH	18	South Ry	49
[...]x	10	Dow Chem	63⅝	Magnovox	7⅝	Sperry Rnd	43⅜
[...]ot	24½	Dress Ind	53⅝	Mfrs Han	39	St Brands	53⅝
[...]B	15½	Dupont	171	Marath	45⅝	St Oil Cal	31¼
[...]d & T	53½	East Airlins	8¼	Marcor	25	St Oil Ind	95⅛
[...]o	23⅝	E Kodak	109	Marsh Fd	19⅜	St Oil Oh	64⅞
	4⅛	Eaton	30	Martin Mar	18⅜	Sterl Drug	29½
[...]la	27	El Paso NG	15¼	Matsush	17⅜	Stu War	37½
	85¼	ESB	25⅜	McDon D	17⅝	Sun Oil	48
	102⅝	Esmark	33	Merck	84⅜	Teledyne	13⅜
	7	Exxon	88⅞	Minn MM	79	Tenneco	23½
[...]n	87⅛	Fair Cam	56⅝	Mobil Oil	48⅝	Texaco	29⅝
[...]w	24½	Firestone	17⅝	Monogm	6	Texas Gulf	34⅞
	29¼	Fst N City	43⅜	Monsan	62⅝	Texas Instru	108
[...]t	3⅝	Fluor Cp	36	Moor McCor	16⅝	Textron	22¼
	34⅞	Fd Fair	8⅜	Morgan J	69	Transwair	18¼
[...]Co	16⅝	Ford Mot	52½	Nabisco	37⅝	TriCon	24⅛
	17⅞	Gen Dynam	27⅝	Nat Cash R	38⅞	TRW Inc	18⅝
[...]ar	21	Gen Elect	53⅛	Nat Distil	14	Twent Cent	9
	11⅞	G Fds Corp	28	Nat Indust	14	UAL Inc	28
[...]y	50⅝	Gen Mills	54	Nowest Air	34⅞	Unil Ltd	—
[...]ck	18⅝	Gen Mot	54⅛	Occ Pet C	10⅝	Unil NV	39⅜
	25⅜	Gn Tel El	25¼	Olin Corp	14⅜	Un Carbide	38⅝
[...]chs	21⅜	Gen Tire	17⅜	Otis Elev	41⅞	Uniroyal	8⅞
[...]p	37	Genesco	6⅝	Owen Ill	87⅞	Unit Aircraft	28¼
	18	Georgia	44¼	Pac Gs El	24⅝	Unit Brands	8
	12⅞	Getty O	147¼	Panam W A	[illegible]	US Indust	8
[...]ke	16¼	Gillette	40	Penn Centrl	3	US Steel	43⅞
[...]r	62	Goodric	17⅝	Pepsi Co	65¼	US Tobac	14
[...]s	31⅛	Goodyr	17⅝	Pfizer	40⅝	UV Ind	41
[...]p	16⅝	W R Grace	27	Phelps D	41¼	War Lam	38⅝
[...]anh	32½	Grt A & P	14⅛	Phil Morr	106½	Wells Far	27
[...]Y	45	Gulf Oil	23⅜	Phil Petro	57¼	Wn Un	15¼
[...]Sys	33⅝	Gulf Wn	27⅝	Polaroid	86	Westg Elec	22¼
[...]r	19⅞	Hew Pack	90	Proct GM	93½	Weyerhs	40½
[...]re	54⅝	Honeywel	80	Quikr Oat	27⅞	Woolworth	18⅜
[...]la	117⅛	Howmet	14¼	Rabystos M	44⅝	Xerox Co	124
[...]l	28⅜	IBM	248⅜	Ralston P	20½	Zenith Rad	31⅛
	34⅞	Int Harv	28½	RCA	21		
[...]s	26⅝	Int Nickel	38⅜	Revere Cop	10⅝		
[...]ict	3¼	Int Paper	50⅝	Reyn Ind	46⅞		
[...]s	30⅝	Int T & T	25⅝	Reyn Met	24⅛		

$ decline in Lilienblum turns buyers to sellers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Yesterday morning the dollar fell so low — to IL4.90 in Lilienblum Street — that several diamond dealers, who generally sell dollars on the black market, moved in to buy — and make a profit.

According to the "Lilienblum Street brokers," the diamond dealers receive an 85 agorot premium on every dollar they earn. Thus, if the dollar in Lilienblum Street is more than IL5.05 (IL4.20 plus the 85 agorot premium), they sell dollars on the black market and make a profit: if the dollar falls below IL5.05, they move in to buy dollars, sell them to the authorities, and again make profit.

At any rate, yesterday afternoon these dealers began buying dollars, and the price rose to IL4.99 (for one hundred dollar banknotes).

Smaller dollar banknotes went for IL4.95, at the end of the day, and dollar cheques from IL4.50 to IL4.65 — the latter in sums above one thousand dollars with "excellent signatures."

Lilienblum explains that the fall in the dollar is due to the forthcoming passover holidays. Relatives abroad send dollar cheques as presents to their relatives here, and these find their way to Lilienblum. Lately, there has been such a deluge of such cheques, that they have even forced the price of dollar notes down.

Other currencies were more or less steady, mainly, it is believed, because Israeli tourists are buying them up in preparation for trips abroad. The prices: DM, IL1.80; French franc, IL0.95; Swiss franc, IL1.50; Dutch florin, IL1.60; and pound sterling, IL11.

As for the speculative metals, a kilo of silver rose by IL60 to IL1,000 and a kilo of gold rose by IL100 to IL25,600.

However, prices in the commemorative sets are dropping. The three-piece set fell by IL150 to IL4,600: but the two-piece set remained at IL1,500, with a tendency to fall, and the platinum coin was IL2,100. The fall is credited to the fact that there are few local buyers and the tourist season has not yet entered into full swing.

DESIGNED BY DAGON ENGINEER

Revolutionary elevator in use at Haifa silo

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The Dagon silo company has started to use its new, IL9m. elevator to move grain from ships into its port silo. The elevator, which is the silo's third and will increase unloading capacity by more than 150 per cent, is the first of its type in the world. Its revolutionary design was invented by a Dagon engineer, Yitzhak Beresinsky.

Dagon's other two elevators are pneumatic and work by suction. The new one is mechanical, conveying the grain from the ship into the silo between two rubber belts, with over triple the capacity of the other two elevators. Beresinsky's invention has been patented worldwide and a number of foreign silo firms have expressed interest, the Dagon general manager, Dr. Reuben Hecht, said on Wednesday.

The management expects the new elevator to be fully operational within three months. Its planned capacity is for 600 tons per hour, compared to the 190 tons of the two other elevators. Mr. Beresinsky, 50, told *The Jerusalem Post* that its capacity could have been much higher, but had to be restricted according to silo facilities.

~~The new elevator is expected to~~ 2.5 million tons of grain a year, as against its present 1.75 million tons capacity, which is being fully exploited to cope with the country's grain imports that total 1.75 million tons annually. Thanks to the new elevator, the silo will be able to cope with the growing grain imports for the next several years.

Dr. Hecht said on Wednesday that construction of the new elevator, which entailed the building of a bridge from the silo to the grain quay, took three years, a year longer than planned, for several reasons — difficulties in getting necessary permits; the labour shortage resulting from the war; and because the silo has been working round-the-clock since October to cope with grain imports. As a result of the delays, construction costs overran the original estimate by 50 per cent. The operation of the new elevator will save the country millions of pounds, as grain ships will have a shorter wait in port before unloading.

Asked about the mooted construction of a second grain silo for the Ports Authority in Ashdod harbour, Dr. Hecht said his company had informed the government that it would "definitely" bid for the silo operation contract. The Ports Authority intends to finance its construction, including a new quay for it, which is to cost some IL100m. Under P.A. regulations the planning, construction and operation of the silo can not legally be entrusted to the same firm. Consequently Dagon intends to bid for the operation contract.

Dr. Hecht considered it "highly inefficient" to set up a new management for the proposed silo, as Dagon had the experience, the management and the technical staff available. Joint management of "what is essentially a parallel operation" would effect very considerable savings in overhead that might amount to millions of pounds annually, he said. Furthermore Dagon would be a disinterested operator, as it is not itself engaged in the grain business, unlike the Histadrut-owned Hamashbir Hamercazi, which is reportedly also interested in getting the management contract for the Ashdod silo. Estimated construction time for the silo is four years.

Dr. Hecht noted that when Dagon signed its original contract for the erection of the Haifa silo with the Government in 1951, it had been granted a 23 year "right of preference" to "erect and operate" any additional silo the government would decide was necessary for Israeli ports, provided Dagon would agree to do so under the same conditions as those that might be proposed "by a serious person." This "right of ~~[...]~~ though Dagon had proposed the erection of a silo in Ashdod three years ago.

Water rates going up

Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati told the Knesset this week that the price of water had to go up by an average of 35 per cent, solely in order to cover the increased costs of the fuel used to pump it.

The average 35 per cent increase did not cover other higher costs involved, he said, replying to an urgent motion for the agenda by the ILP's Hillel Seidel.

Seidel said in his motion that the householder would in fact be paying twice over: once for the water which he himself consumed, and once for the more expensive farm and factory products which depended on water as a major input. (Posts and Matza — Page 9)

IL1,000 fine for overcharging on can of meat

ASHKELON. — A shopkeeper was fined IL1,000 for overcharging IL1.70 on a can of meat, when he appeared before a local magistrate this week.

Handing down sentence, Judge Gilad Giladi said: "In order to root out this phenomenon of grocers trying to earn unjustifiable profits, one has to make them aware that it not worth their while when they are caught." The accused took IL6.20 for a can of meat, which is usually sold at between IL4 and IL4.50.

In another case the same magistrate fined two taxi-drivers IL150 each for refusing to give receipts to passengers. He also fined a carpenter IL500 for overcharging.

In Jerusalem, the owner of a grocery near Damascus Gate was fined IL600 for overcharging 22 agurot on a kilo of rice. The cases were brought to court by the Ministry of Commerce. *(Itim)*

Potato spoilage in storage can be stopped

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new method of storing potatoes designed to eliminate spoilage may be introduced in Israel following a conference of the European Federation for Potato Research and Industry which ended here this week.

Under the method at present in use, potatoes are harvested, sorted, packed in sacks and then put into cold storage. Several months later the potatoes are taken out of cold storage and it is often found that some have become rotten inside the sacks. To eliminate this a new system of cold storage in bulk — without any sacking — has been developed by the Dutch.

It is hoped that through the conference a know-how agreement on this system will be reached in the near future. Such a cold storage plant would most likely be built in the Sha'ar Hanegev Local Authority. It will consist of four storage rooms, with a capacity of 4,000 tons in each room. It will take about two years to build at an estimated cost of IL15m.

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BUDGETARY DOUBTS

IN presenting the new state budget to the Knesset yesterday, Mr. Sapir warned that there would be a decline in the standard of living caused by the immense burdens imposed by the war and its aftermath.

Since this is what most economists have been urging for some time the warning should have been welcomed. But a close look at the budget programme makes it difficult to see where such an attempt to live more closely within our resources is going to be made.

The whopping IL14.5 billion expenditure for defence is, of course, moderated by the fact that only IL8.2 billion will be in local currency and therefore have a direct bearing on our domestic economy. But even this alone is more than twice what we spent for defence in 1972.

Moreover, the rate of expenditure for non-defence purposes has also been increased not simply absolutely but even in proportion to the total budget, as compared to 1972.

It can, of course, be argued that all these government outlays for housing, education, hospitals, local councils, and subsidies are essential and cannot be reduced. This may be especially the case for a nation which has come through a difficult war and whose expectations about government services are even more demanding that they were previously.

However, the question is whether in fact the nation can afford such a level of expenditures, and how, in pursuing it, the Treasury can also harbour expectations of a lowering in the standard of living.

True there have been tax increases, and the levies on company profits are now deeply biting indeed. This could have an impact on the rate of investment.

But at the same time the government is committed to a policy of full employment. Moreover, the rise in prices that will result from rising expenses at home and the continued increase in essentials from abroad will undoubtedly resolve themselves into pressures for wage rises. If the past is a guide to future policy, those wage rises will be achieved.

Despite Mr. Sapir's warning, therefore, the chances are that we will continue to see an economy under full steam, locked into an inflationary spiral, rather than the image of an economy tightening its belt.

For in order for that belt to be tightened the government would have to provide a firmer lead for economizing than is offered by the new budget. That would require a wholly new and thorough-going reappraisal of our priorities, habits, and procedures in managing our domestic life. The new budget shows no genuine readiness for such change.

VIEWPOINT

CLEAR POLICY NEEDED

Information Ministry is first step

By DAN BAWLY

Mrs. Meir's new government now has a Minister of Information, in the person of Mr. Shimon Peres. The question that deserves to be asked therefore is what such a Ministry is supposed to do.

An information service must explain, clearly and distinctly, the aims of the organization it represents. It can never be a substitute for policy or an end in itself. No national information service can succeed when the state it represents does not have a clearcut domestic or foreign policy.

Where proper education has not prepared the ground, an information service cannot operate efficiently. Alone, it cannot turn sworn enemies into friends. Even with the best-oiled propaganda machine, no one expects youngsters who were fed nationalist extremism with their mothers' milk to become moderates or the died in-the-wool fascist to turn into a liberal.

What a sound information service can do is to clear away the fog. It can bring into focus problems of which the man in the street was unaware, or which seemed blurred to him. A successful information campaign can persuade the uncommitted public to accept facts it was not clear about.

Tell the truth

The basic requirement of an information service is that it tell the truth. When the public refuses to believe some official spokesman, we say that there is a credibility gap between his statement and his audience. This is a euphemism for saying that his audience does not believe him.

A spokesman gains credibility when he passes his information on as quickly as possible, is as precise as possible, makes few mistakes and corrects himself whenever he is made aware of mistakes. The spokesman who fails to do these things opens a credibility gap, the worst fault an information service can have.

Even when planting information, and this is often the task of the information officer, this must be done with extreme care. It is essential that it be covered by fact.

Information services must also adapt to the times. For instance, nationalism is not a popular issue in the West today and it is hard to imagine large scale nationalistic sentiment being roused by any propaganda machine. On the other hand, information and propaganda concerning the need to exert public pressure on the Soviet Union to allow emigration to Israel has been very sympathetically received by many, indeed most, in the West, including even those critical of many of Israel's policies.

Pressing need

Since the Six Day War, there has been a pressing need for an effective information service concerning Israel's treatment of the Arab population of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. For the most part, spokesmen for the Ministry of Defence, the Foreign Ministry and the Jewish Agency have managed to give clear pictures of the success of the policy of open bridges, economic involvement and co-existence between the Israel and the Palestinian population. Essentially, this information effort succeeded because it was based on hard facts. However, those who dealt with the subject ran into difficulties when confronted with the task of discussing the political rights of the Palestinian population. After 1967, the plight of the Palestinians caught the imagination of Western progressives. The subject of most questions put to Israel's spokesmen was the treatment of the Palestinians. It is fair to state that many of those interested in Middle East affairs, even those who are admirers of Israel, have the feeling that the Palestinians were and continue to be politically mistreated.

The attempt to explain Israel's policy on the Palestinians, a risky business at the best of times, was doomed to failure when Prime Minister Golda Meir and some of her leading ministers, for various reasons, swept the whole issue under the carpet, periodically repeating that: a. There is no such thing as a Palestinian people; b. The West Bank Arabs have no leaders with whom serious negotiations can be started.

In spite of Israel's successes in the social and economic spheres, it is hard to imagine under these circumstances an information campaign being able to persuade world opinion that Israel takes the Palestinian political problem as seriously as it should.

In fact, Israel's attitude to the Palestinian problem has become the target of hostile propaganda machines abroad, as well as of severe criticism at home. Official spokesmen have been faced with an unhappy predicament: where official policy does not convince, they cannot do so either.

Army's opportunity

Of all Israeli institutions, the Army has the best opportunity of explaining its actions. The other official agencies, together with all their budgets, cannot put Israel's case as forcefully over a period of years as the IDF can in a few days or weeks of crisis, when hordes of media men descend upon Israel from all over the world, avid for information, eager to study its problems at first hand. In times such as the Six Day War, the beginning of the War of Attrition and the first weeks after Yom Kippur, 1973, foreign journalists and VIPs were ready to devote themselves to studying Israel's problems on the spot. All they asked for was respect and understanding for their profession, and "respect" includes telling the truth wherever possible.

As in other professions, there are basic professional requirements for an information officer. Although it is sometimes hard to define these requirements, it is only reasonable to expect him to be well-versed in his speciality and to know his public. Today, the largest single information institution in Israel is that of the Israel Defence Forces. But some of the liaison officers attached to this unit do not have the training or background knowledge needed to carry out their function of guiding foreign visitors properly.

Story from Rome

This, however, should be apparent not only to the body of war correspondents, but also to the general public. For example, few people know what was behind the restrictions placed on senior officers in the field granting interviews and on visits to military units west of the Suez Canal, after the "New York Times" published an interview with an IDF Division Commander, towards the end of last October. The fact is that a similar interview, given to the reporter of the Hamburg "Stern" four days earlier, passed the censor and was wired to Germany from Tel Aviv. But the manner in which the interview with the "New York Times" was pigeonposted via Rome, without submission to the censor, brought down the ire of the military authorities. This was not explained to the public or to the foreign press, which naturally criticized the subsequent restrictions imposed in reaction to this evasion of the censor, regarding them as a blot on the escutcheon of one of Israel's most respected institutions.

A recent information campaign that was both well-received and successful was that of the "academic task force" at the opening sessions of the Geneva Peace Conference in mid-December, 1973. This handful of Israelis, experts in political science and Middle East affairs, having extensive connection with the world's information media, spent nearly a week at the Palais des Nations. It was obvious that they were sponsored by the Israeli information services but it was equally obvious that they were not there to represent a hawkish (or dovish, for that matter) Government line. As hundreds of journalists, television crews and foreign representatives found out, this was a group with an extremely varied political outlook. Thanks to their presence, the free Western world learned of the pluralistic views of informed and thinking Israelis on the Arab-Israeli conflict, the pitfalls on the way to peace, the chances of achieving it, the role of the great powers, the potential of the Arab and Israeli leaders and the possible common meeting ground.

The academic task force created direct day-to-day contact with the reporters and journalists; they won their confidence.

Even the representatives in Geneva of Egypt, Lebanon and other Arab countries, including North Africa, appreciated this particular information campaign. It succeeded because it was conducted by a team capable of independent thought, presenting credible information. Its success was limited, however, by its objective, which was restricted to the news of the moment and did not attempt to present long-term education or in-depth information.

An efficient information service should have the right to decide what to publish and it should dwell on positive aspects. It cannot afford, however, to withhold embarrassing news or failures. Much of the task confronting the new Minister of Information will consist in advising his government colleagues and their senior civil servants to display courage and clear-sightedness, to define their objectives and the means of attaining them.

Only if Shimon Peres can get across will there be a fair chance for Israel's information services to be successful.

POSTSCRIPTS

THE fate of the El Al Hotel proposed for the Omariya Plot in Jerusalem may be decided within the next few days by the Minister of Interior. Although public attention has been diverted from the issue by the events of recent months, pressure by the promoters on the Government and Municipality has gone on unrelentingly and there are disturbing indications that they have borne fruit.

On the eve of the Yom Kippur War, Interior Minister director-general Haim Kubersky announced that the plan for an eight-storey hotel would be reexamined by the ministry's planning division headed by Yaacov Dash. These recommendations have now been submitted. Instead of calling for the hotel to be built on another site as had been hoped, Mr. Dash suggested only minor modifications in the plan. He told the parents committee of the Beit Hayeled School, which abuts the proposed hotel site, that, in view of the pressures by the promoters, there was no chance of killing the project.

The only reason given by any authority for supporting the hotel is that promises have been made to the investors. The largest remaining open space in central Jerusalem is thus in danger of being sacrificed to purely commercial interests — foreign interests, at that — in disregard of the needs of the city and the desires of its residents. It is to be hoped that Interior Minister Dr. Yosef Burg will stand up to these pressures. There are other sites in Jerusalem where the El Al Hotel can be built. Let us spare the Omariya. *A.R.*

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INTEGRATION may be a lengthy process for immigrants, but Israeli children are quick to assimilate to newcomers.

A few days ago, a family of four Russian immigrants were moving into a flat in Tel Aviv and helping the workmen to unload their belongings from a truck. There was a lot of noise and much shouting in Russian, Yiddish and Hebrew. Two-year-old Yochanan was fascinated by the scene and couldn't be budged from his vantage point on a neighbouring balcony. When his mother eventually called him in to have his bath and supper — it was by then long past his bedtime—the little boy turned round adn replied laconically, "Niet." *A.F.*

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DRIVERS are no doubt rejoicing that the carless day has been allowed to die a natural death. On March 5, D.K. said in this column that instead of wasting its time badly implementing bad programmes, "the government should concentrate on its job, which is to build more roads."

This is the strangest definition of the task of government that I have ever heard. I have a more pedestrian view: that the job of government is to make life livable for the maximum number of law-abiding citizens with the minimum amount of inconvenience to those whose freedoms sometimes have to be limited for the benefit of the majority. Accordingly, it would seem to me that, in the area of transport, the government should not be playing the role of prolific road-builder but should be concerning itself with rationalizing public transport. Our road and transport problems will not be solved by the government's building *more* roads so that more car-owners like D.K. can travel faster on more roads leading from nowhere to nowhere and use the time saved to travel faster from more nowheres to more nowheres. They will, perhaps, be saved when he has learned to accept that the world was not created for the car-owners and that the answer is to provide speedy, rationally scheduled public transport that will carry the maximum number of people in maximum possible comfort to their destinations, thus also affording a more economical use of roads and fuel, leaving more space for reactionaries who still like to stroll, and leaving the air that much less polluted. *M.K.*

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U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has admitted to sharing with the citizens of Israel their suspense and bewilderment during the recent weeks of coalition talks.

In a cable congratulating Mr. Abba Eban on his reappointment as Foreign Minister, the Secretary wrote:

"Dear Mr. Foreign Minister. My occasional bewilderment in recent weeks at the complexities of Israel government-making, and the suspense I have suffered, only enhance my happiness at the final issue — you and I will continue to be colleagues.

"I am delighted and look forward to a continuation of our close working relationship. Warm regards. Henry Kissinger."

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IF further proof were needed that women are not the weaker sex, the publication figures for the latest sex magazine would provide it. "Playgirl," launched in Los Angeles less than a year ago, now has a circulation of over 2,000,000 and is doing relatively better than "Playboy." What sells "Playgirl," reports Ofra, is the male nudity feature in its four-page colour fold-out.

Gone are the days when pornographic literature was concealed in plain brown paper wrappers. Women — and homosexuals — can now buy "Playgirl" openly at magazine racks in American supermarkets.

READERS' LETTERS

How much news space for a speech?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On page six of your January 23 issue, you published three articles. One dealt with a Swiss parson's opinion about Jews, the second dealt with the equality of the sexes in the Soviet Union. These two articles make very interesting reading for people who have lots of spare time and who are not totally absorbed with the crucial events history reserves for our present Jewish generation. The third article (actually an ad) gave the full text of the speech made by the Leader of Gush Emunim, during the inauguration session of the Knesset after the election. It is a remarkable document and in my opinion, an essential summing up of the events connected with the tragic days which started on Yom Kippur, and in the midst of which we still find ourselves.

After congratulating, in his usual gentlemanlike way, the Speaker of the Knesset and the new Knesset members on their election, he expresses his good wishes to the Prime Minister on her recovery from illness and he wishes her good health and strength to carry out the task which the President of the State has entrusted to her. The leader of the Opposition, representing one third of the population of this country, according to the election outcome, then severely criticizes the Government and especially the fact that the air-retaining decision, which it did, in signing an agreement with a country that openly declares that it does not want peace with Israel.

Having followed Zionist history for the last 45 years and being deeply involved in the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora, I consider that this epoch-making speech, by one of the finest orators of our time, will find its place in the series of speeches made by such historical figures as Ahad Haam, Herzl, Jabotinsky, and Ben-Gurion proclaiming the independence of the rebirth of the State of Israel, and will go down in history.

I deeply resent that you did not consider this speech worthy of being published as such, but only in the form of an advertisement. It shows that you do not share the which is your right, but I cannot imagine that any leading newspaper in any democratic country would treat such a speech in the way you did.

JOZEF KOMKOMMER

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Herzliya (Antwerp), February 6.

On January 23, we published a full summary of Mr. Begin's speech in the Knesset — on the morning after the speech was delivered. We gave it a three-column headline on page 1 and published it separately from the rest of the debate which gave it special prominence. To have done more than that, namely, to translate and publish the address in full as Mr. Komkommer suggests, would have been a total departure from standard news practice which we try to follow. *Ed. J.P.*

Immigrants' criticism

To the Editor of the Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The inner sport of many immigrants from America has been continuous criticism of the inefficiency and cynicism of officials in Israel. While much of it cannot be gainsaid, it might be useful to take a look at a piece in the "Tribune" which describes a week in Washington from the point of view of bureaucratic "efficiency" and "public spirit" in administrative offices which have nothing to do with Watergate.

David Broder writes among other things the following:

"On Feb. 21, it was revealed that officials of the District of Columbia Welfare Department had arbitrarily denied welfare aid to at least 150 families because the officials could not pass the families' welfare applications within the time required by law.

"The deadline had been set in order to assure prompt decisions on the eligibility of welfare applicants but, in a wonderful Catch-22 application of logic, the bureaucrats decided that since they themselves could not meet the deadline, the applicants must be ineligible."

Similar episodes took place every day of the week of February 24 and reveal the cynicism and inefficiency of Washington's "public servants." It would be well for us, new and not-so-new immigrants (including visitors from America and elsewhere), to engage in discussion on what we can do for — and in — Israel, which had to fight four wars and at the same time prepare itself to receive our aliya — in our own good time...

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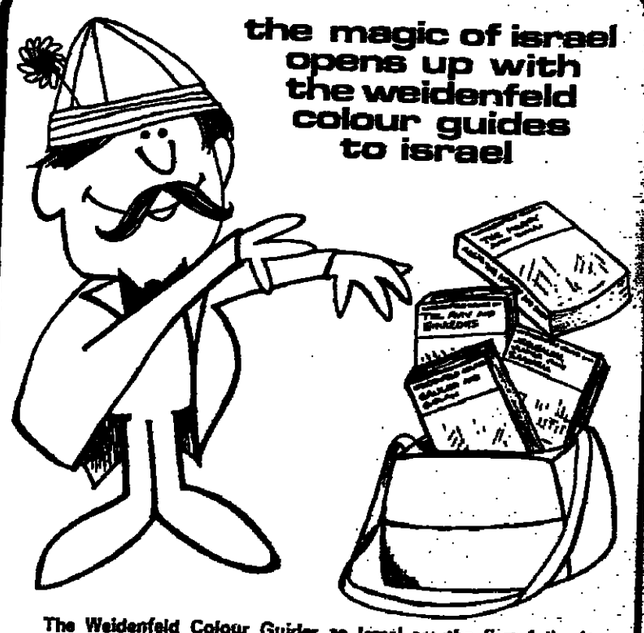
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